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We live in a world where assassination has become an unspeakable, nationally approved art to frustrate fundamental change. — Jim Douglass[1]

They framed you on a murder charge ... The copper bosses killed you, Joe. — Alfred Hayes[2]

[Secretary-General of the United Nations Dag Hammarskjöld] was on the point of getting something done when they killed him. Notice that I said "when they killed him." — Former President Harry Truman, 1961.[3]

King, ... your end is approaching. — A 1964 FBI letter to Martin Luther King, urging him to commit suicide.[4]

Interviewer: "Does the president of the United States have any power whatsoever to change the game plan that was put in place by the military industrial complex after World War Two?" Former President Jimmy Carter: "No."[5]

I was disturbed that the wrong person might have been convicted of killing my father. — Robert F. Kennedy Jr.[6]

Who defamed, harassed, and killed Joseph Kennedy, Kathleen Kennedy, John F. Kennedy Sr., Robert F. Kennedy Sr., John F. Kennedy Jr., Michael LeMoyne Kennedy, Alexander Onassis, Lee Oswald, Jack Ruby, Gary Underhill, Rose Cheramie, the children of Ludlow, Joe Hill, Abraham Lincoln, Dag Hammarskjöld, Michael Hastings, Martin Vincent Mahoney, Hale Boggs, Jo Cox, Bronson Cutting, John Malcolm Fraser, John Heinz, Charles August Lindbergh Sr., Charles August Lindbergh Jr., Bruno Richard Hauptmann, Huey Long, Allard Lowenstein, Larry P. McDonald, Louis McFadden, Leo Ryan, John Tower, Jim Traficant, Paul Wellstone, Danny Casolaro, Bill Cooper, Michael Hastings, Walter Liggett, Jonathan Moyle, Anson Ng, David Graham Phillips, Mark Pittman, Gary Webb, Ernest Hemingway, Richard Wright, Fred Hampton, Marcus Garvey, Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, Judi Bari, Matt Simmons, Bobby Darin, Brian Jones, Luke Kelly, Bob Marley, Jim Morrison, Phil Ochs, Arthur Caron, Beverly Eckert, Tracy Lawrence, Phillip Marshall, Deborah Jeane Palfrey, Aaron Russo, Shane Schmidt, Aaron Swartz, Pat Tillman … and thousands of others?

Why?

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PREFACE

> *[The USA] has had authentic, servant leaders on the national level and many of them were targeted for assassination by the State.... those of us who try and inject love, vision, compassion and common sense into the political discourse are quickly discredited, chewed up, and expectorated.* — Cynthia McKinney

The *Encyclopedia of Domestic Assassinations* provides irrefutable statistical, historical, empirical, and predictive evidence that the American and British governments routinely smear, harass, bribe, blackmail, incarcerate, or murder their influential opponents. Always and everywhere, humanity's champions get neutralized long before they can accomplish anything. This encyclopedia argues that any reform strategy that fails to explicitly address this reality is doomed to fail. It provides a partial explanation for the utter failure of humanitarian reform movements in the Anglosphere and elsewhere in the world. It shows that it is impossible to understand international relations without taking into account the ever-present menace of blackmail, smears, clandestine removals, and assassinations of influential foreigners. It celebrates the short wonderful lives — often heroic and idealistic — of some 50+ victims of the US/UK. Finally, it confronts readers with (assassinated) Bob Marley's question: "How long shall they kill our prophets while we stand aside and look?"

What this Encyclopedia Can and Cannot Prove

In almost all cases, the factual evidence for sidelining, silent treatment, blackmail, bribes, harassment, character assassinations, surveillance, and incarceration of influential dissidents is part of the official record and is not under dispute.

When it comes to murders, the situation is hazier. This compilation cannot prove involvement of the Invisible Government[7] and its agents in any given case: Any such case often requires a book-length investigation, and even then doubts remain.

Looking at each victim in isolation, one might conclude: "Having reviewed the evidence, I'd guess that there is a particular probability that the government murdered this particular individual." For instance, in the list below, there is probably only a 20% chance that the government murdered musician Bobby Darin (who had a weak heart even as a child), a 98% chance for Martin Luther King Jr. (after listening to 70 witnesses, a jury concluded that the government had a hand in his assassination), and a 99.9% chance for Fred Hampton (who was admittedly drugged and then murdered by the government in an unprovoked raid).

However, besides presenting the most comprehensive coverage of assassinated individuals available anywhere, this encyclopedia presents, for the first time, statistical proofs that the UK/US governments routinely murder their influential opponents. Thus, while this encyclopedia can only provide rough probability estimates in any given case, it does prove the existence of an observable pattern: If you are influential and meaningfully defy the Invisible Government, its mercenaries and media lapdogs might bribe, blackmail, or menace you. If you persist, they might smear, harass, and at times, lock you up in their vast Gulag. If you still persist, chances are that they will kill you.

The inference is straightforward. If you take random samples of 100 smokers of agrochemical tobacco and 100 nonsmokers, and if you see that the lifespan of smokers is significantly shorter, you can conclude that smoking kills. In the same way, in the case of the ultimate sanction, if you take 100 influential challengers of the Invisible Government and 100 lackeys or bystanders, and if you see an even greater longevity gap between them, you can conclude that that dissidence kills (see Chapter 1).

In fact, it is hard to locate influential challengers to the Invisible Government who made it to old age. And, of the few who did, some were reduced to penury, were smeared, or spent time in prison. In the US and UK, at this moment, after a century and a half of assassinations, I could only come up with seven such possible survivors (see Chapter 1).

To put it somewhat differently, this encyclopedia does not claim with 100% certainty that any individual listed herein was assassinated by the government. Nor does it claim that every case of calumny, hounding, or imprisonment is unjustified. What it does claim, with 100% certainty, is that at least 80% of the cases listed in Chapters 1-8 are traceable to the malignity of the American and British governments.

The upshot of all this is simple: Whenever influential challengers of the Invisible Government die, the prime suspects are these two governments. Whenever these challengers are harassed, fired, bribed, blackmailed, imprisoned, or smeared, the probable reason is not the officially-stated one, but the threat they posed to the powers that be.

Scholarly Standards

By the nature of the case, this encyclopedia cannot meet standards of accuracy that prevail in the natural sciences. One cites books and Internet sources, hoping that they exercised due diligence, but one cannot spend months on researching individual entries. Nonetheless, even in the extremely unlikely event that only 50% of the information presented in this first edition is accurate (almost certainly over 95% is), that 50% fully accomplishes the goals of this encyclopedia.

No Ulterior Motives

I have nothing to gain from writing this book. It cost me a great deal of time and money, which I shall never recover. It will receive the silent treatment and never appear in the online collections of libraries anywhere in the world — regardless of its quality and my academic credentials. Hence, it will never reach its intended audience. In the inconceivable event that this encyclopedia breaks through the wall of censorship, it will complicate and imperil my life. No one helped or encouraged me to write it. No one sponsored it. I would have much rather spent years of my life carrying out scientific experiments, hiking, or writing about less heartbreaking subjects. As far as I'm aware, my only reasons for writing this book are compassion for the victims, outrage at the perpetrators and the

vicious system that makes their unspeakable crimes possible, and a quixotic compulsion to struggle for a better world.

Your Choice

> *God offers to everyone his choice between truth and repose. Take which you please — you can never have both.* — Ralph Waldo Emerson

Describing one of her fictional characters, Ursula K. Le Guin writes: "There were walls around all his thoughts, and he seemed utterly unaware of them, though he was perpetually hiding behind them." That applies to all of us. We are all prisoners of our culture and of ruthless indoctrination. We are trapped in a mental prison whose walls are invisible to us. This encyclopedia asks you to look beyond these walls, to choose between thinking for yourself and mental slavery, between truth and repose.

Yes, here and there this book inevitably contains errors. But the larger picture — the fact that the five governments who rule the Anglosphere are no better than the Mafia — is unmistakably true. And it is also true that unless enough people can emerge from the cave of political illiteracy, humanity's future is grim at best and non-existent at worst.

So, if you are deep inside that cave, or already on your way towards sunlight, this book — if you give it a chance — will help you along.

A Few Technical Notes

There is overwhelming evidence that the Invisible Government is behind the policies of all five Anglosphere countries — Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States. This encyclopedia therefore treats all five as a single entity, and contains entries from the USA, UK, and Australia. It also contains one case each from English-speaking Ireland and Jamaica, which still live in the shadow of their former colonial mistress. As well, this encyclopedia describes the murder of the Swedish Secretary General of the United Nations.

Notes and references appear as numbers in the text, and can be accessed by placing the cursor on that number and control-clicking on it.

When the same source of information is used consecutively in a given chapter, that source may only be cited the first time it appears. If separated by other references, it is usually cited in an abbreviated form, for example, "Doe, ibid."

Many sources of information of this encyclopedia will be unfamiliar to most readers. Truth seekers, in this upside down world of ours, have no choice but to rely on courageous, marginal, books and articles. In some cases these sources could contain errors, but such errors are more than compensated for by their writers' freedom from oligarchic control. In other words, unless there is no other choice, I'd rather cite a frog than a CIA-sponsored book or movie, the *New York Times*, *CNN*, *Der Spiegel,* or *Hintudstan Times*.

Although *Wikipedia* is controlled by the Invisible Government, it is still a useful source of information. To begin with, the idea of a people's encyclopedia is brilliant, and has in principle the potential of being less biased than such Invisible Government-compliant projects as *Encyclopaedia*

Britannica. One problem with citing *Wikipedia* articles is that they constantly undergo censorship and editorial changes. For that reason, the date when an article was consulted is usually given in the corresponding note, which also provides an internet link to that particular version. As well, from the Invisible Government's perspective, the worst weakness of *Wikipedia* is that it retains all prior versions. So, when it comes to politically-sensitive topics, uncensored material can still be found by examining prior versions of an article.

Finally, notes and references provide internet links, when available. However, such links gradually lose their usefulness, as they are often censored out of existence, updated, or die.

CHAPTER 1: CLOAK-AND-DAGGER OVERVIEW

They tell us that we live in a great free republic; that our institutions are democratic; that we are a free and self-governing people. This is too much, even for a joke. — Eugene V. Debs

[The men of the Invisible Government] would continue to grow in strength, until they had the whole silly world, the whole credulous world, the whole ingenuous world, in their hands. Anyone who would challenge them, attempt to expose them, show them unconcealed and naked, would be murdered, laughed at, called mad, ignored, or denounced as a fantasy-weaver. — Taylor Caldwell [8]

This preliminary chapter provides conclusive proof that the rulers of the Anglosphere sideline, blackmail, bribe, malign, harass, imprison, or execute just about any of their citizens who imperils their plans. The chapter begins with a few random case studies of these rulers' cloak-and-dagger approach. Because such case studies fail to incontestably prove the cloak-and-dagger hypothesis, this chapter moves on to provide a bird's-eye view of the field of assassination research. It does so by paying special attention to background information, patterns, statistical comparisons, and predictions. This holistic approach leads to three firm conclusions: First, England's and America's rulers have been smearing, persecuting, bribing, blackmailing, threatening, incarcerating, and murdering the Anglosphere's best and brightest at least since the days of Abraham Lincoln. To achieve their goals, the ruling oligarchs are capable of harming or killing influential and disobedient presidents, likely-to-win presidential candidates, senators, governors, musicians, labor leaders, journalists, would-be witnesses, innocent bystanders, and others. Second, despite overwhelming incriminating evidence, not one oligarch or his agents throughout this period have paid for their heinous crimes: The oligarchs have a license to destroy and extinguish lives. Third, the oligarchs' massive cloak-and-dagger program bolstered their parasitism of the Anglosphere and the world.

Hunter-Gatherers and Ancient Complex Societies

Political assassinations have been common throughout history, and they are in fact older than humanity itself. Jane Goodall must have been stunned by the realization that her "gentle" chimpanzees were capable of murder, cannibalism, and extermination of a weaker, neighboring splinter group.

For about 98% of our existence as a species, our ancestors lived in small, largely nomadic hunting-and-gathering bands.[9] They lived in a libertarian, classless society, with no rulers and with minimal

wealth disparities. Their system of governance was stable, in part because it incorporated mechanisms to discourage freeloading and selfish behavior and to prevent the ascent of crooks and psychopaths to positions of power:

> If an upstart becomes dangerous to the life or liberty of others and is not susceptible to lesser sanctions … fearful or morally outraged foragers go for the ultimate form of social distancing: execution.[10]

Assassination was likewise common in complex societies. Succession disputes in both the Persian and the Macedonian courts often involved assassinations, with the most cunning and murderous pretender ascending to the throne. In 461 BC, in ancient Athens the oligarchs assassinated the democratic reformer Ephialtes. In 379 BC Thebes, democracy was restored thanks to a spectacular and daring decapitation plot.[11] Likewise, political assassinations safeguarded the political and religious independence of the Nizari Ismailis for some 200 years.[12]

The Gracchi Brothers of Rome

Here is just one illustration of political assassinations in the ancient world.[13] I chose this particular example because it involves Rome, the vicious oligarchy which America's founding fathers admired and wished to emulate.

> The Gracchi, Tiberius Gracchus and Gaius Gracchus, were Roman brothers who tried to reform Rome's social and political structure to help the lower classes, in the 2nd century B.C.
>
> Events surrounding the politics of the Gracchi led to the decline and eventual fall of the Roman Republic. From the Gracchi to the end of the Roman Republic, personalities dominated Roman politics; major battles were not with foreign powers, but civil.
>
> To Tiberius Gracchus, the biggest problem was that there were not enough small farmers. He wanted to give land to some of the many free, poor unemployed. These men would be happy to farm, but there wasn't enough land, so he proposed that the state take over land held illegally by large landholders and distribute it to the poor. Unfortunately for the plan of Tiberius, the people illegally holding the land were the powerful nobles whose families had held the land for generations. They didn't want to give it up.
>
> In 133 B.C. Tiberius Gracchus was killed during rioting. Gaius Gracchus took up the reform issues of his brother when he became tribune in 123 B.C., 10 years after the death of brother Tiberius. He created a coalition of poor free men and equestrians who were willing to go along with his proposals. His political successes enraged the nobles. Gaius Gracchus lost control of his coalition and, faced with armed opposition, fell on a slave's sword.

Non-Lethal Approaches: Three Illustrations

> *In a very real and terrifying sense, our Government is the CIA and the Pentagon, with Congress reduced to a debating society.... The clever manipulation of the mass media is creating a concentration camp of the mind that promises to be far more effective in keeping the populace in line.... What happens to the individual who dissents? In Nazi Germany, he was physically destroyed; here, the process is more subtle, but the end results can be the same.* — District Attorney Jim Garrison, 1967[14]

Occasionally, a champion of the people or a bystander poses a threat to the Invisible Government itself. In such cases, the Men in the Shadows strike back. This section illustrates a few non-lethal features of such strikes, including job loss, impoverishment, humiliation, scandal-mongering, smears, intimidation, harassment, framing, and incarceration.

1. A Labor Leader and a Judge of the Early 20th Century

The Invisible Government's cloak-and-dagger techniques go far back in English and American history. Here is one 1919 illustration involving the Rockefeller clan and their bought and paid for politicians and journalists on one side, and a labor leader on the other.[15]

> There was a certain labor leader in America, who was winning a great strike. It was sought to bribe him in vain, and finally a woman was sent after him, a woman experienced in seduction, and she lured this man into a hotel room, and at one o'clock in the morning the door was broken down, and the labor leader was confronted with a newspaper story, ready to be put on the press in a few minutes. This man had a wife and children, and had to choose between them and the strike; he called off the strike, and the union went to pieces. This anecdote was told to me, not by a Socialist, not by a labor agitator, but by a well-known United States official, a prominent Catholic. . .
>
> In extreme cases they will go as far as they did with Judge Lindsey — hiring perjured affidavits, and getting up a fake reform organization to give them authority. Lindsey, you understand, has made his life-work the founding of a children's court, which shall work by love and not by terror. Love of children — ah, yes, all scandal-bureaus know what that means! So they had a collection of affidavits accusing Lindsey of sodomy.[16]

2. District Attorney Jim Garrison

Fast forward half a century: The Rockefellers still reign supreme in America, and they still used the same tactics. Here is the saga of Jim Garrison, a veteran of World World II and District Attorney of Orleans Parish, Louisiana, from 1962 to 1973. Garrison was "one of the most viciously smeared figures in modern political history, [who] was simply a district attorney trying to do his job in the most important criminal case of our time."[17]

Following the 1963 assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the 35th president of the United States, the same government that killed him felt compelled to cover up its crime. This whitewashing operation, the so-called Warren Commission, concluded that the president was shot by Lee Oswald, a lone assassin.

Until November 1966, Garrison "had complete faith" in the Commission's conclusions.[18] Several occurrences however, prompted him to change his mind and launch a criminal inquiry into the President's murder:

- In 1965, Hale Boggs (see "Hale Boggs" entry below), a Congressman from Louisiana and a former member of the Warren Commission, told Garrison that he had serious doubts that Oswald was a lone gunman.[19]

- Similarly Russell Long, a Senator from Garrison's state of Louisiana, Majority Whip, and son of murdered Huey Long (see "Huey Long" entry below) told Garrison that "those fellows on the Warren Commission were dead wrong. There's no way in the world that one man could have shot up John Kennedy that way."[20]

Garrison began reading on the subject, and then ran into the clincher:

> Finally, I put aside all other business and started to wade through the Warren Commission's own 26 volumes of supportive evidence and testimony. That was the clincher. It's impossible for anyone possessed of reasonable objectivity and a fair degree of intelligence to read those 26 volumes and not reach the conclusion that the Warren Commission was wrong in every one of its major conclusions pertaining to the assassination. For me, that was the end of innocence.[21]

The Federal Government's siege of Garrison involved tactics that were similar — but far more elaborate and up-to-date — to the ones applied in the cases of the labor leader and judge (above):

Spreading False Rumors. In 1967**,** Jim Garrison illustrated this ploy:

> Just recently, for example, the rumor went around that my staff was peddling marijuana to high school students and that one of our major witnesses had just confessed that his testimony was based on a dream induced by an overdose of LSD. We've also been accused of planning an attack on the local FBI office with guns loaded with red pepper, having stolen money from our own investigative files and having threatened to shoot one witness in the derriere with an exotic gun propelling truth-serum darts. I just hope they never find out about my involvement in the Boston Brinks robbery.[22]

A Vicious Smear Campaign by the CIA Media.

> I must admit, however, that I'm beginning to worry about the cumulative effect of this propaganda blitzkrieg on potential jurors .... I don't know how long they can withstand the drumbeat obbligato of charges exonerating the defendant and convicting the prosecutor. For months now, the establishment's artillery units have been pounding away at the two themes. I only wish the press would allow our case to stand or fall on its merits in court. It appears that certain elements of the mass media have an active interest in preventing this case from ever coming to trial at all and find it necessary to employ against me every smear device in the book.[23]

Media Studies professor James Tracy (whose dissent cost him his job) underscores the coordination between the intelligence community and the press:

> New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison's investigation of the November 22, 1963 event was the first substantial challenge to the official narrative. The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) countered Garrison's efforts by calling upon its media assets to directly attack, defame, even sabotage the inquiry.[24]

Or take the *New York Times*, which started by providing a balanced review and "raised some searching questions—questions one rarely saw asked in the *Times*. But this review appeared only in the early edition. Before the second edition could reach the stands it underwent a strange metamorphosis:"

> The District Attorney of Orleans Parish argues that Kennedy's assassination can only he explained by a "model" that pins the murder on the Central Intelligence Agency. The CIA could have engineered Dallas in behalf of the military-intelligence-industrial complex that feared the President's disposition toward a detente with the Russians.... He insists that the Warren Commission, the executive branch of the government, some members of the Dallas Police Department, the pathologists at Bethesda who performed the second Kennedy autopsy and many, many others must have known they were lying to the American public. Frankly, I prefer to believe that the Warren Commission did a poor job, rather than a dishonest one. I like to think that Mr. Garrison invents monsters to explain incompetence.[25]

Thus, Garrison's meticulous investigation into President Kennedy's murder, according to *Time* Magazine, was "barely distinguishable from circus sideshow." *Newsweek* concurred, characterizing it as a "helter-skelter house of canards teetering and hanging on the verge of collapse." Both of these CIA media assets agreed that Garrison's investigations were motivated by selfishness — even though every half-baked reporter knows that fighting city hall in American "democracy" is the surest road to perdition. Garrison knew that he might have signed "his political death warrant the moment" he launched the case, but felt morally obligated to do so.[26] Not to be outdone, *Life* Magazine reported that Garrison had been given money by an unnamed "New Orleans mobster." The smear campaigns, falsifications, half-truths, and ad hominem attacks were joined by every major news outlet in the USA.[27]

Intimidating, Recruiting, and Bribing Witnesses.

The star witness in Garrison's trial against one of the CIA men involved in the plot to assassinate Kennedy, stated (at a great risk to himself):

> Well the truth of the matter was that Garrison was very sincere. Well, [NBC News reporter and former FBI Agent] Walter Sheridan tells me and threatens me that he's gonna take Garrison out and take me with him.... And he says [if] you do that [revoke your testimony] we won't go after you."[28]

Likewise, "most of the attorneys for the hostile witnesses and defendants were hired by the CIA."[29]

Withholding or Falsifying Critical Information.

> There is, without doubt, a conspiracy by elements of the Federal Government to keep the facts of this case from ever becoming known — a conspiracy that is the logical extension of the initial conspiracy by the CIA to conceal vital evidence from the Warren Commission.[30]

Planting Moles and Informants.

Most likely, the CIA planted a mole in Garrison's office — easy to do, since the District Attorney's office was short of staff. When Garrison's suspicions were aroused, the mole left, taking with him the investigation's master file,[31] and joining the anti-Garrison frenzy machine. (Cross references in this encyclopedia to such convenient disappearances of documents: Danny Casolaro, Anson Ng, Philip Marshall, Pat Tillman).

Blackmailing and Subverting Co-Workers.

Here is just one example. In the company of a Justice Department lawyer, an ex-FBI agent gave a Garrison's investigator a choice of either "helping them to nail Jim Garrison or going to jail himself for 'three years.'"[32]

Illegal Surveillance.

For at least six months, Garrison's "office and home telephones — and those of every member of [his] staff — have been monitored."[33] As well, as in most such cases, a "small army of federal secret police" had been pursuing Garrison.

Harassments, Arrests, and Lawsuits.

> The government's attempt to thwart Jim Garrison had included an attempt to charge him with tax fraud. Three years of investigating Jim Garrison's finances had not produced a case for the IRS.[34]

After that failure, the Justice Department arrested Garrison, charging him with corruption.

> Reaction to the charge was swift, with the vast majority of New Orleans residents supporting Garrison, who was released on $5000 bail, although both the Metropolitan Crime Commission of New Orleans and the *States-Item* paper demanded his resignation. Garrison stated to the press that he was convinced from the start of his investigation that the Federal Government would try to either kill him or put him in prison, and that the charge was merely an attempt to further suppress the truth regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. Reflecting his usual sense of humor even during a moment of adversity, Garrison commented upon his release that "he once expected to be assassinated himself for his pains. 'I guess this is better than being shot … I'm ahead of the game.'"[35]

Here is how the CIA's own encyclopedia once described the conclusion of this particular witch hunt:

> In 1973, Garrison was tried and found not guilty by the jury for accepting bribes to protect illegal pinball machine operations.... Acting as his own defense attorney, Garrison called the allegations baseless and claimed that they were concocted as part of a U.S. government effort to destroy him because of Garrison's efforts to implicate the CIA in the Kennedy assassination. The jury found Garrison not guilty. In an interview conducted by New Orleans reporter Rosemary James with Pershing Gervais [the government's star witness], James alleged Gervais had admitted to concocting the charges.[36]

And of course, the CIA/FBI boys have all the money in the world, and never give up: "Garrison had to stand trial once more, on March 18, 1974, for not paying taxes on the pinball bribes for which he had already been acquitted of accepting."[37] Fortunately, the jury saw through this farce, and Garrison again won the case.[38]

Similarly, a lawyer who admitted receiving payments from the CIA sued Garrison for $10 million for defaming that lawyer's client.[39]

Such fascist tactics, even for the lucky ones who can prove their innocence, exert a crushing emotional toll. Jim Garrison, for example, spoke of how for two years he had to bear the knowledge that his children "must have some doubts about my innocence." His voice cracked as he choked back

tears. At the end, “his career shattered, his marriage finally over and his health questionable, at the age of fifty-two Jim Garrison had to begin life over again.”[40]

In 1964, Mark Lane traveled to New Orleans to speak to a lawyer with some connection to the case. The frightened lawyer told him: “I can't talk about the case. I called Washington and they told me that if I said anything, I might get a bullet in the head."[41]

Murdering Witnesses.

Several of Garrison’s potential witnesses — whose testimony could have changed the course of history — died under mysterious circumstances.[42] Two examples:[43]

> [Gary] Underhill was an intelligence agent in World War Two and an expert on military affairs whom the Pentagon considered one of the country's top authorities on limited warfare. He was on good personal terms with the top brass in the Defense Department and the ranking officials in the CIA. He wasn't a full-time CIA agent, but he occasionally performed "special assignments" for the Agency. Several days after the President's assassination, Underhill appeared at the home of friends in New Jersey, apparently badly shaken, and charged that Kennedy was killed by a small group within the CIA. He told friends he believed his own life was in danger. We can't learn any more from Underhill, I'm afraid, because shortly afterward, he was found shot to death in his Washington apartment. The coroner ruled suicide, but he had been shot behind the left ear and the pistol was found under his left side — and Underhill was right-handed.
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> Four days before the [Kennedy] assassination, on November 18th, 1963, a young woman from Dallas named Rose Cheramie was thrown from a moving car on a highway outside Eunice, Louisiana. She was badly bruised and taken to the East Louisiana Hospital in Jackson, Louisiana. When she came out of sedation, on November 19th, she was distraught and sobbed that she had been thrown out of the car by associates of a man named Jack Ruby in Dallas. She claimed to have been sent by Ruby from Dallas to Miami to pick up a shipment of narcotics. When asked by a hospital attendant — who fortunately took notes of her remarks, in case the police had to be called in — why she had been hurled from the car, she replied that narcotics smuggling was one thing, but she drew the line at murder. The president, she said, was going to be killed in Dallas within a few days. At this point, sadly enough, the hospital authorities seemed to dismiss her as hysterical and lost interest in her story, although she repeated it in detail the next day. After the assassination, of course, people in the hospital became interested once more, but she had already checked out, leaving no forwarding address other than Dallas, Texas. There the story stood until a few months ago, when we began searching for Miss Cheramie, but it was too late. After the assassination, she was killed by a hit-and-run driver on a highway outside Dallas.

There were many, many others. Already by 1967, Garrison wryly commented:

> Witnesses in this case do have a habit of dying at the most inconvenient times. I understand a London insurance firm has prepared an actuarial chart on the likelihood of 20 of the people involved in this case dying within three years of the assassination — and found the odds 30 trillion to one. But I'm sure NBC will shortly discover that one of my investigators bribed the computer.[44]

3. A Governor of the State of Illinois

Another example of the non-lethal approach involves ex-prisoner number 40892-424. Former Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich

> threatened to stop the state's dealings with Bank of America Corp. over a shut-down factory in Chicago. On December 8, 2008 (the day before his arrest), all state agencies were ordered to stop conducting business with Bank of America to pressure the company … John Douglas, a former general counsel for the FDIC [Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation] and attorney for Bank of America, called Blagojevich's gambit dangerous.[45]

A day after this popular state governor stood by the people against the leeches, the federal Gestapo arrested him — for allegedly doing what most politicians do every day. According to another outlet[46] of the Invisible Government:

> Disgraced Illinois governor [was] handed [a] stiff sentence for attempting to sell President Obama's vacant Senate seat [and] was sentenced to 14 years in prison Wednesday, one of the stiffest penalties imposed for corruption.... It took two trials for prosecutors to snare Blagojevich.... While Blagojevich will likely end up at a minimal security prison, he'll be largely cut off from the outside world. Visits by family are strictly limited, Blagojevich will have to share a cell with other inmates and he must work an eight-hour-a-day menial job — possibly scrubbing toilets or mopping floors — at just 12 cents an hour.

The Good Judges, James Ensor, 1892. Most Anglosphere judges have already been bought. If you need any proof, ask yourself: How is it that the highest court in the USA, charged with protecting the Constitution, stands aside and looks while this very Constitution is being dismantled? Why does said court not only allow rigged elections, but put its full weight behind the riggers? Why does it not only stand aside and look while sunshine bribery (aka "campaign contributions") corrupts every square inch of the republic, but actually seeks ways and means to further enshrine, institutionalize, and metastasize this bribery?

After Blagojevich had served 8 years in prison, his sentence was commuted. At a news conference the following day, Blagojevich described himself as a political prisoner, vowing to fix the "broken" American criminal justice system. Such continued defiance came with a cost: By 2020, he was disbarred by the Supreme Court of Illinois.

The above examples are just three tiny islands in the vast archipelago of corruption and intimidation. They are merely intended to capture the stench of the American government's vicious stifling of dissent. We could mention in passing the former Governor of Alabama, Don Siegelman, who suffered "intentionally wrongful"[47] persecution and served years in prison. The wealthier former governor of New York, Eliot Spitzer, was merely humiliated and removed from office for the crime of trying to gingerly curtail Wall Street thievery. And then there is the revenge imprisonment of

Congressman Steve Stockman — it took prosecutors four attempts at presenting the case to a grand jury before Stockman was indicted for "misusing funds"![48] The Men in the Shadows were also kinder to another of their junior pals, Dominique Strauss-Kahn, who was trying, ever so slightly, to humanize their International Monetary Fund, and who was the likely next president of France — apparently without obtaining the Men in the Shadows' approval. One could write a weekly column of ongoing cases — and never run out of stories. It's time however to pay closer attention to the government's license to kill.

Assassinations: A Few Case Histories

So the people of the valley
Sent a message up the hill
Asking for the buried treasure
Tons of gold for which they'd kill
Came an answer from the kingdom
With our brothers we will share
All the secrets of our mountain
All the riches buried there
Now the valley cried with anger
"Mount your horses! Draw your sword!"
And they killed the mountain-people
So they won their just reward . . .

Go ahead and hate your neighbor
Go ahead and cheat a friend
Do it in the name of heaven
You can justify it in the end — One Tin Soldier

When I used to work with elephants, I mistakenly prided myself on being a member of the most dangerous profession. In fact, the professionals under the greatest possible threat (99.9% chance of job loss, sidelining, intrusive surveillance, incarceration, character assassination, or murder) are either (i) influential humanitarians like Marley, King, Einstein, Gandhi, and Lennon (shown in the nearby photo), or (ii) hapless bystanders who know too much or unintentionally thwart the Invisible Government's designs.

A few probable murders — of documented hundreds or thousands — should help the reader see that the US/UK governments have a license to kill. Nor are they fussy about their methods of killing and what they call "collateral damage:" They think nothing of taking down a planeload or a shipload of people to kill a single target.

Abraham Lincoln

The subject of Lincoln's defiance of the bankers and his subsequent assassination has received the attention of many truth seekers. Here are just a few little-known details that lend support to these scholars' suspicions of murder:[49]

> Commanding General of the Army of the north, General Ulysses S. Grant, had been invited to see the Tom Taylor's comedy "Our American Cousin," together with the head of the White House (in the President's box), but for "personal reasons" he could not make it.
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> The box where Lincoln was sitting was only guarded by one (!) person — his bodyguard Joe Parker. He did not leave the president once during the play. But when the assassin entered Lincoln's box he was … away. Before the beginning of the third act Parker, allegedly, asked for permission to go to the theatre café. And left.

Herr Poth and Mr. Sherman

The Rockefeller clan has been the richest and most powerful in American history. If this is news to you, here is what, in 2016, the late David Rockefeller (1915-2017) permitted *Wikipedia* to say about him:

> Rockefeller has met with and advised every American President since Eisenhower … President Jimmy Carter offered him the positions of United States Secretary of the Treasury and Federal Reserve Chairman but he declined both instead preferring a private role … Rockefeller has been able to act as bridge to various interests around the world, including Saddam Hussein and Communist leaders such as Fidel Castro, Nikita Khrushchev, and Mikhail Gorbachev… Rockefeller also reportedly has connections to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). David was extensively briefed on covert intelligence… Additionally, he serves as the only member of the Advisory Board for the Bilderberg Group … In 1992, he was selected as a leading member of the Russian-American Bankers Forum, an advisory group set up by the head of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to advise Russia on the modernization of its banking system, with the full endorsement of President Boris Yeltsin… Rockefeller began a lifelong association with the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) when he joined as a director in 1949, the youngest member appointed to that position yet. He would later become head of the nominating committee for future membership and after that the chairman of this foreign policy think-tank. In 1965, Rockefeller and other businessmen formed the Council of the Americas to stimulate and support economic integration in the Americas. In 1992, at a Council sponsored forum, Rockefeller proposed a "Western Hemisphere free trade area", which subsequently became the Free Trade Area of the Americas in a Miami summit in 1994 … Rockefeller helped found the Trilateral Commission in July 1973.

In another rare exhibitionist moment, the late David Rockefeller bragged:

> We are grateful to *The Washington Post, The New York Times, Time* magazine, and other great publications whose directors have attended our meetings and respected their promise of discretion for almost forty years. It would have been impossible for us to develop our plan for the world if we had been subject to the bright lights of publicity during those years. But the world is now more sophisticated and prepared to march towards a world government.... The super-national sovereignty of an intellectual elite and world bankers is surely preferable to the national auto-determination practiced in past centuries.[50]

That is the centuries-long plan, a world ruled by parasitic bankers. And let us note in passing, just to dispel any illusions: What the son of the son of the founder of this organized family meant by "intellectuals" is not compassionate independent thinkers like Bertrand Russell, Albert Einstein, Carl Sagan, Jim Hansen, or Aaron Swartz. No, what he meant is sycophants bought and controlled by his family — the likes of Henry Kissinger,[51] Alan Greenspan, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Paul Wolfowitz, and Anthony Fauci.

The founder of that dynasty was John D. Rockefeller (1839-1937), a man Ida Tarbell described as a "living mummy," "a mask and a steel grip, forever peering into hidden places for money, always more money; planning in secret to wrest it away even from his friends, never forgetting, never resting, never satisfied.... blackmail and every other business vice is the natural result of [his]

peculiar business practices … Our national life is on every side distinctly poorer, uglier, meaner, for the kind of influence he exercises."[52]

Senator Robert LaFollete similarly called Rockefeller "the greatest criminal of the age."[53]
Which raises the question: How did Murder Inc. got its foothold in America? The dynasty's founder is on record saying that competition is sin. Hence, he worked tirelessly to eliminate it — by any means necessary.

To circumvent his strong-arm tactics and control of the railroads, his 1000+ competitors formed an association and decided to construct a pipeline to the sea.

> Now, the strength of the Standard Oil Trust had always been due to its control of transportation. An independent pipeline, especially to the seaboard, was considered rightly as a much more serious menace to its power than an independent refinery. The United States Pipe Line could not be allowed, and prompt and drastic measures were taken to hinder its work. There is no space here for an account of the wearisome obstructive litigation which confronted the company, for the constant interference, even by force, which followed them for months. It culminated when an attempt was made to join the pipes laid to each side of the Erie tracks near Hancock, New York, the Eastern terminal of the pipeline. Mr. Emery, relying on the promise of the Erie's president to allow a crossing, sent his men to the railway to connect the pipes. Hardly had they arrived before there descended on them *a force of seventy-five railroad men armed for war.* These men took possession of the territory at the end of the pipes and entrenched themselves for attack. The pipeline men camped near by for three months, but they never attempted to join the pipes. Mr. Emery had concluded, on investigation, that the Erie officials, like the Reading, had found that it would be unwise to disturb their relations with the Standard, and while his men were keeping attention fixed on that point he was executing a flank movement, securing a right of way from a point seventy miles back to Wilkes-Barre, on the Jersey Central. This new movement was executed with such celerity that by June, 1893, the United States Pipe Line had a crude line 180 miles long connecting the Bradford oil fields with a friendly railway, and a refined line 250 miles long connecting the independent refiners of Oil City, Titusville, Warren and Bradford with the same railway.
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> After the competitors bypassed the threat of armed confrontation with Rockefeller's goons, they began to prosper. Rockefeller then launched a smear campaign, aimed at forcing them to sell their shares to his agents. At the same time, he attempted to undercut his competitors by lowering prices, so that his competitors had to sell for years at a loss. Tarbell continues:
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> The Pure Oil Company had been organized none too soon. It was but a few months after it was well under way before a hurried meeting of the independents was called in New York. With scared faces the members learned that the German dealer, who for four years had been handling ninety percent of their export oil, had sold to the Standard marketing concern, the Deutsche-Amerikanische Company. Consternation was great. The independents had depended on the loyalty of Herr Poth as they did on that of each other. He had been enlisted in their cause by Mr. Emery, who, with the tragic earnestness which had characterized his entire struggle for independence, had asked him for an oath of loyalty, and, hand on his heart, Herr Poth had pledged his faith. In every respect he had served them loyally. His desertion was inexplicable and disheartening. Later they learned the truth, that Herr Poth had been informed, by what he supposed to be reliable authority, that the American independent interests had sold to the Standard. Believing that this would cut off his supply, he had turned over his concern to the Deutsche-Amerikanische. A few weeks later Herr Poth *died* suddenly.

> That both the crude and refined lines should ultimately reach the sea had, of course, been the intention from the first. But it was not until 1895 that the company felt firm enough in its finances to push the extension… Two wrecking cars, with 250 men, came down the road and charged the camp, but again they were routed. The matter was taken by mutual agreement into court, and while Mr. Emery was before the justice of the peace, two locomotives were run down and the camp attacked with hot water and coals! By this time the whole countryside was aroused. The unfairness of the thing was so patent that even the railroad employees engaged in it did not hesitate to say, in excuse of their employers, that it was the Standard Oil Company which was at the bottom of the opposition! As for the inhabitants, they offered any aid they could give. The local G. A. R. sent forty-eight muskets to the scene of war. Mr. Emery bought eighteen Springfield rifles, the camp was barricaded, and for seven months the pipes were guarded while the courts were deciding the legal title to the crossing.
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> To secure their pipeline, Rockefellers' competitors introduced a bill in the New Jersey legislature.
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> Everybody agreed it was a just and proper measure. Then, suddenly, within a few days of the end of the session, a violent opposition sprang up. Trenton became alive with lobbyists — men well enough known to politicians. The newspapers came out boldly with the charge that the railroads and Standard were going to defeat the bill. Its friends could not believe it, nor did they until they found, the morning it was to be presented, that the Senator having it in charge had disappeared, taking with him the bill and everything concerning it. Four days later the Legislature adjourned, and the precious Senator, when next heard from, was in the far West!
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> Deprived of this hope, and condemned to a litigation which was certain to be made as long, as vexatious, and as costly as lawyers could make it, the chief counsel of the United States Pipe Line, Roger Sherman, advised a bold move — to bring suit against the Standard Trust under the Sherman anti-trust law. The summons was issued in July, 1897.... It was a serious case Mr. Sherman made out, and the evidence he collected was elaborate and detailed. But, for a sad reason, it was never to come to trial. Less than two months after the summons was issued Mr. Sherman *died* suddenly in New York City. The shock of his death was such that the independent companies had no heart for the suit, but allowed it to lapse.[54]

This episode, and hundreds like it (search for instance, the following in this encyclopedia: Ludlow Massacre, Arthur Caron, David Graham Phillips, Huey Long, Larry McDonald, Aaron Russo) show how the Rockefellers got their trillions — and how they plan to achieve their goal of ruling the world.

All this appears to contradict the "philanthropy" of the Rockefellers and such of their front-row minions as Gates and Soros. But this is nothing more than yet one more underhanded way of dodging the taxman and increasing wealth and power. Thus, a congressional investigation described the original Rockefeller philanthropic foundation as a self-serving artifice posing "a menace to the future of political and economic welfare of the nation." At the time, the Attorney General of the United States denounced Rockefeller's foundation as a "scheme for perpetuating vast wealth" and "entirely inconsistent with the public interest."[55]

Dag Hammarskjöld

Dag Hammarskjöld of Sweden was the Secretary General of the United Nations. In 1961, he was flying on a peace mission with 15 other people, when their plane was shot down.

To make our next tale a bit more convincing, I decided to ignore independent historians and "conspiracy theorists" and confine myself to the CIA/MI6 media (which in turn operate under the handicap that they must appear credible to their readers).

This is one of the few instances in this encyclopedia where the victim is not a citizen of one of the Anglosphere countries. The purpose of including such cases is to remind us that anyone, anywhere on Earth, is a potential target of the UK/US/Israel assassination squads. Moreover, unless you fully assimilate this one overarching reality, you cannot possibly understand contemporary international relations.

A crime detective first asks: Who benefited from Hammarskjöld's death? Here is the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC):

> In Congo, one issue was who should control the southern province of Katanga, rich in copper, uranium and tin. Belgium, the ex-colonial power, backed a secessionist movement led by Moïse Tshombe, as did the UK and US who had mining interests in the region.
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> But Mr Hammarskjöld from the start backed Congo's elected central authorities — the Soviet-backed government of Prime Minister Patrice Lumumba, and later, after Mr Lumumba was deposed and murdered, Prime Minister Cyrille Adoula.
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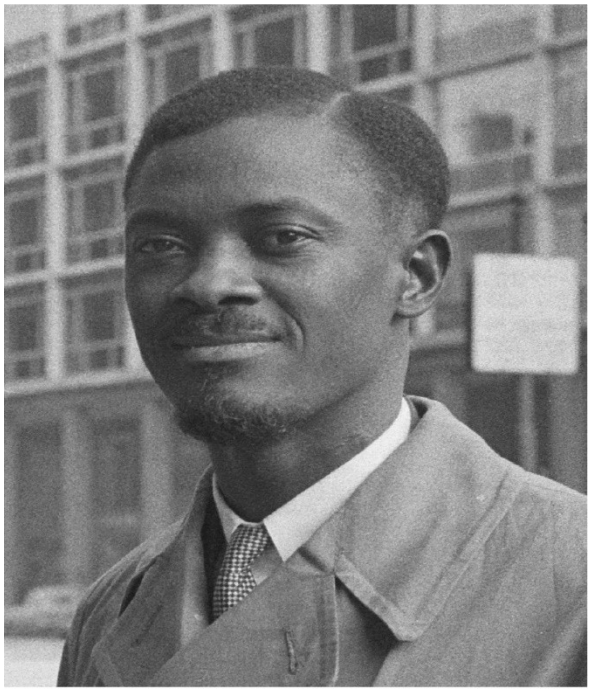
> Mr Hammarskjöld wanted to pursue a negotiated solution between Mr Tshombe and the central government, a goal that became even more urgent after UN peacekeepers found

themselves outgunned during an aggressive operation to drive foreign mercenaries from Katanga.

Mr Tshombe was waiting to talk to him in Ndola on the night he [Hammarskjöld] died.[56]



Murdered by the Invisible Government:
Patrice Lumumba, President of the Congo.[57]

Parenthetically, we must remind the BBC that Lumumba was murdered by the Dynamic MI6/CIA Duo,[58] assisted by their apartheid friends from Pretoria:

> Today, we know who was responsible for the assassination of the African leader. The country was the Congo and the date was 1960. The newly independent country was seeking to end a chapter of colonial history, characterized by the "manic appetite for ivory and rubber" displayed by the Belgian authorities and by "mutilations, mass executions," floggings, and horrible tortures that "halved the population within a few years." Seeking to open a new page was the Prime Minister Patrice Lumumba, who at once encountered formidable resistance (orchestrated from Brussels). In an attempt to overcome it, he turned to the Soviet Union and this sealed his condemnation to death: "the Eisenhower administration authorized the prime minister's assassination." The execution occurred sometime later, carried out by local hatchet men who first amused themselves by torturing their prisoner horribly, with the assistance of Belgian operatives who did not want to miss the show.[59]

Now, if that duo could kill a head of state to achieve their goals, why wouldn't it kill the head of the U.N., a Johnny-come-lately naive enough to try to torpedo their goals?

Clearly, the Soviet Union had every reason to keep Hammarskjöld alive, while the bankers' Akitas (US/UK) had much to gain from his death.

Next, our detective might wish to consider evidence that Hammarskjöld was murdered. At one point, even *Coverupedia*[60] contained this information:

- "In 2001, extensive research led … to the conclusion that Dag Hammarskjöld's 1961 death 'was a murder committed in part to benefit mining companies.'"

- Former President Harry Truman commented that Hammarskjöld "was on the point of getting something done when they killed him. Notice that I said 'when they killed him.'"

- Like Aldo Moro or Martin Luther King Jr., Hammarskjöld might have known in advance the risks he was running. He said: "He who wills sacrifice will be sacrificed — according to the measure of his purity of heart."

The BBC again:

- In 1998 South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, led by Desmond Tutu … suggested CIA, MI5 and South African intelligence were involved in sabotage of the aircraft.

- In 2005, the head of UN military information in Congo in 1961 … noticed a round hole in Hammarskjold's forehead when he saw the body in the mortuary. It could have been a bullet hole, he said, and it had been mysteriously airbrushed out of official photographs.

- British academic Susan Williams … lists a variety of observations suggesting that "it is clear to her that there was a cover-up."[61]

Next, the *New York Times*:

- Two American intelligence officers … were working hundreds of miles apart at listening posts in the Mediterranean. Both claim to have heard evidence that the plane was shot down, and one of them maintains that Americans were somehow implicated.

- A United Nations panel reviewing the case in 2013 found that there was "persuasive evidence that the aircraft was subjected to some form of attack or threat as it circled to land."[62]

By August of 2016, the Invisible Government's U.N. and media pretended that they could no longer stand aside and look:

> U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon will propose reopening an inquiry into allegations that Dag Hammarskjold, one of the most revered secretaries-general in the organization's history, was assassinated by an apartheid-era South African paramilitary organization that was backed by the CIA, British intelligence, and a Belgian mining company … The CIA has previously dismissed allegations that it was behind Hammarskjold's death as "absurd and without foundation"… One document, marked "top secret" describes a meeting including … Britain's intelligence agencies, MI5 .... The documents state that CIA director Allen Dulles

> concurs that "Dag is becoming troublesome … and should be removed.... One of the key obstacles to finalizing the investigation is the reluctance of key powers, principally the United States and Britain, to release documents related to the case.[63]

Would the Mafia willingly release documents related to its assassination record? If not, why should the USA and UK release them? Such reluctance, by itself, is tantamount to an admission of guilt. If they have nothing to hide, why not plead for transparency, instead of opposing it? And yet, most televised human beings read such nonsense and fail to see the contradiction.

So, the Invisible Government's own media discreetly solved this problem for us. We don't need to rely on U.N. whitewash commissions. We don't need to pay attention to "fantasy weavers." We don't need a new JFK, Diana, Dr. Kelly, or 9/11 Commission — nominated by the murderers themselves — to cover up the facts. We can read between the lines: The Invisible Government killed Dag Hammarskjöld.

Michael Hastings

Michael Hastings was an award-winning investigative reporter, editor, and author. He belonged to that privileged handful of mainstream journalists who, in order to lend credibility to the entire edifice of bought journalism, are permitted to expose the underbelly of a woebegone system.

Hastings unmasked endemic corruption within the U.S. military. He was a "fearless journalist whose reporting brought down the career of General Stanley McChrystal … Hastings' unvarnished 2010 profile of McChrystal in the pages of *Rolling Stone*, 'The Runaway General,' captured the then-supreme commander of the U.S.-led war effort in Afghanistan openly mocking his civilian commanders in the White House."[64] Elsewhere, Hastings described McChrystal's staff as "a handpicked collection of killers, spies … political operators and outright maniacs."[65]

> The maelstrom sparked by [Hastings] … concluded with President Obama recalling McChrystal to Washington and the general resigning his post.[66]

Hastings was critical of other powerful generals. Here is what he said at the time about another prominent career man, General David Petraeus:

> He essentially armed and trained what later became known as "Iraqi death squads." He … took the Shiites' side in a civil war, armed them to the teeth, and suckered the Sunnis into thinking we'd help them out too … Hundreds of thousands of Iraqis lost their lives during a sectarian conflict that Petraeus' policies fueled … The reputations of the men who were intimately involved in these years of foreign misadventure, where we tortured and supported torture, armed death squads, conducted nightly assassinations, killed innocents, and enabled corruption on an unbelievable scale, lie in tatters.[67]

Hastings knew that he was standing up to murderers and told a friend that "he would be hunted down and killed over [the] McChrystal story."[68] And he had another reason to suspect foul play: In 2007, Hastings' fiancée was killed in a car ambush in Iraq,[69] allegedly by Iraqi freedom fighters.

So, like the late Hugo Chávez, the late Deborah Jeane Palfrey,[70] and so many others, Hastings naively tried to protect himself by identifying his would-be killers, recounting the following conversation with several McChrystal staff members:

> "You're not going to f*** us, are you?" asks one staff member.
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> Hastings responds: "I'm going to write a story; some of the stuff you'll like, some of the stuff you probably won't like."
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> Another staffer then says: "We'll hunt you down and kill you if we don't like what you write."[71]

Hastings' humanism took him to places where only few dare to tread. Thus, he was "a vocal critic of the surveillance state, referring to the restrictions on the freedom of the press by the government as a 'war' on journalism."

As if all these intrepid acts of investigative journalism were not enough, by June 2013 Hastings ventured deep into the hyenas' den. By then, he was muckraking the mother-of-all death squads (the CIA — Capitalism's Invisible Army — a veritable, almost one-million-strong clandestine army, presiding over 1,271 separate government organizations and 1,931 private companies[72]) along with the NSA, setting the ground for what he felt was his "biggest story yet."[73] That story, according to Hastings' wife, would have profiled CIA Director John O. Brennan — probably giving Brennan the same irreverent treatment Hastings had given to the runaway general.[74]

Just before his death, Michael Hastings was gathering material for a profile of then CIA Director, John Brennan.

Naturally, this did not endear Hastings to the bankers, their generals, and death squads. By mid-June, despite the death squads' (FBI's) assertions to the contrary, the FBI was "investigating" and harassing him. Hastings was getting worried, and told his friends that he planned to go into hiding (which means, in this upside-down surveillance world of ours, that he also alerted the death squads that time was running out for them).

In the days before his death, Hastings believed his car was being "tampered with" and said that he was scared and wanted to leave town.[75] Hastings' plans of going "off the radar for a bit," were tragically cut short. On June 18, 2013, just a few hours after the National Security Agency [NSA] learned about these plans (presumably, by illegally tapping his correspondence), Michael Hastings, aged 33, died in a car "accident."

Let it be noted here that this was a rather peculiar "accident." One nearby witness said that "it sounded like a bomb went off in the middle of the night. My house shook. The windows were rattling."[76] Another neighbor said that the "engine was located 50 yards away from the car and he had never heard of anything like that happening in a car accident."[77] Former U.S. National Coordinator for Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Counter-terrorism, Richard Clarke said that what is known about the crash is "consistent with a car cyber attack." He was quoted as saying "There is reason to believe that intelligence agencies for major powers — including the United States — know how to remotely seize control of a car. So if there were a cyber attack on [Hastings'] car — and I'm not saying there was, I think whoever did it would probably get away with it."[78]

Such testimonies make a mockery of the death squads' (FBI's) version of events, raising instead the specter of an explosion caused by a bomb placed in the car itself or hurled at it.

Sergeant Joe Biggs, Michael's close friend, said that "something didn't feel right" after Hastings sent a panicked email saying the authorities were on his tail. Biggs added that the story of Michael driving at high speed in the early hours of the morning was completely out of character. Hastings, Biggs also said, was "very paranoid that he was being watched by the FBI."

Biggs went public because Hastings' other friends and colleagues who received the email about going off the radar just hours before his death were "too scared" to go public. After the email was released, Hastings' wife thanked Biggs and vowed to "take down whoever did this." Biggs, who met Hastings when he was an embedded journalist in Afghanistan in 2008, added,

> I won't let a man die in vain because I'm too scared of what will happen to me. If I sent that email to Mike he wouldn't rest, he would fight.[79]

Now, let us put this story in context.

1. Let us recall a short phrase from Capitalism's Invisible Army's[80] (CIA's) 1954 assassination manual:[81] "For secret assassination, either simple or chase, the contrived accident is the most effective technique. When successfully executed, it causes little excitement and is only casually investigated."

2. Indeed! And let us recall too, that nowadays, going at least as far back as President Obama, the American government openly claims the authority to assassinate its citizens anywhere in the world if they are deemed a national security threat. A number of American citizens have admittedly been killed as a result of this policy. Is it really unreasonable to suspect that Michael Hastings was just one more victim of this doctrine?[82]

3. Next, note that everyone in the USA knows, deep down, that the CIA and FBI are in fact clandestine death squads. How else could you explain the fact that Hastings sent his "off the radar" email to many friends and yet, even though this email was critically important to any impartial investigation of the case, only one person, fully knowing that he was risking his life, came forward and divulged the content of that letter? What exactly were these friends afraid of? Muslim terrorists? Defenders of the Second Amendment? Or the Invisible Government's death squad alphabet soups (FBI, CIA, DIA . . .)?

Finally, no investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

Jerome Daly, Martin Vincent Mahoney, and Bill Drexler

This tale cannot be understood without some background information.

One of the chief sources of power for the Invisible Government is banking, an utterly fraudulent and, in the USA, unconstitutional, arrangement.[83] Historian John Acton summarizes the horrors of that system in his famous aphorism: "The issue which has swept down the centuries, and which will have to be fought sooner or later, is the people versus the banks." Indeed, American and world history since 1694 can be best seen as part of this struggle, as an attempt to resolve such issues as these: Should the right of issuing and coining money reside with the people or with private banks? Should bankers be permitted to exploit the people with their fractional reserve scam? Should the majority of the world's people prosper and enjoy the fruits of their labor, or should they hand over 40% or more of their wealth to parasitic swindlers?

To secure its stranglehold on the world's people, the Invisible Government brooks no challenges to its banking prerogative. Indeed, many of the martyrs described in the following pages were killed precisely because they challenged the banking syndicate. The bankers and their allies long ago bought — or scared into submission — the vast majority of the political, legal, economic, journalistic, and educational professions.

Thankfully, a few people are capable of casting self-interest aside. Jerome Daly, Martin Mahoney, and Bill Drexler belonged to that courageous minority.

The following is a description of a case that was brought on December 7, 1968, before Justice of the Peace Martin V. Mahoney of Credit River, Minnesota:[84]

> *First National Bank of Montgomery vs. Daly* (1969) [also known as the Credit River decision] was a courtroom drama worthy of a movie script. Defendant Jerome Daly … an attorney representing himself, argued that the bank had put up no real money for his loan. The courtroom proceedings were recorded by Associate Justice Bill Drexler … Drexler hadn't given much credence to the theory of the defense, until Mr. Morgan, the bank's president, took the stand. To everyone's surprise, Morgan admitted that the bank routinely created money "out of thin air" for its loans, and that this was standard banking practice.

Associate Justice Bill Drexler described the critical moment in that trial:[85]

> During the trial, on cross examination the President of the "Bank of Montgomery" testified that the banks regularly "create money out of thin air."
>
> Jerome asked the Bank President: "If you were just opening up your bank and no one had yet made a deposit, and I came into your bank, and wanted to take out a loan of $18,000.00, could you loan me that money?"
>
> When the Bank President said, "Yes," I thought the jury would faint.
>
> Jerome then said , "Does this mean that you can create money out of thin air?"
>
> The Bank President said: "Yes. We can create money out of thin air."
>
> Justice Mahoney then said "IT SOUNDS LIKE FRAUD TO ME" and everybody in the court room nodded their heads indicating that they agreed with Justice Mahoney.
>
> The jury went out and returned a verdict in favor of Jerome Daly on the basis that the Federal Reserve Notes were not legal and valid consideration for a mortgage note contract.

The narrative continues:

> In his court memorandum, Justice Mahoney stated:[86]
>
> > Plaintiff admitted that it, in combination with the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis … did create the entire $14,000.00 in money and credit upon its own books by bookkeeping entry … Mr. Morgan [president of the local bank]

> admitted that no United States Law or Statute existed which gave him the right to do this.

> The court rejected the bank's claim for foreclosure, and the defendant kept his house. To Daly, the implications were enormous. If bankers were indeed extending credit … without backing their loans with money they actually had in their vaults … a decision declaring their loans void could topple the power base of the world.

Daly wrote in a local news article:

> This decision, which is legally sound, has the effect of declaring all private mortgages on real and personal property, and all U.S. and State bonds held by the Federal Reserve, National and State banks to be null and void. This amounts to an emancipation of this Nation from personal, national and state debt purportedly owed to this banking system. Every American owes it to himself … to study this decision very carefully … for upon it hangs the question of freedom or slavery.[87]

The intrepid Daly did not stop there:[88]

> Mr. Daly has also been active on the tax resistance front. He hasn't paid income taxes since 1965, claiming that the income tax is unconstitutional … Daly also ties the claim in with the Minnesota court decision on the unconstitutionality of banks' issue of fiat money. What Daly does is to submit an income tax return, consisting of over 40 pages of his legal claims, and suggesting that the IRS sue him for the tax in U. S. District Court. So far IRS has not sued Mr. Daly, who is now holding seminars around the country instructing people how to fill out similar income tax forms.

Elsewhere, Daly explained that the issue goes far beyond foreclosures and theft:

> National and International Banking and Oil Mob shudder in their back rooms where they have cornered the money of the World and where they sit pulling the strings; fostering, conniving and perpetrating War with profit to themselves paid for by the blood, sweat, tears and toil of the farmer, the mechanic, the laborer and the humbler members of society.[89]

So far, this is a well-known story in truth-seeking circles. Now comes the part that few dare write about.

If you have been paying attention so far, you are in a position to make two predictions:

- Since the Invisible Government owns the pro forma government (executive, legislative, judiciary, mass media, and assassination squads), and since banking is a central pillar of its edifice, the decision will have been overturned.

- Since the Invisible Government has a license to destroy and kill, and since the jury's decision threatened their fractional reserve golden goose, they must make an example of the three main protagonists.

It only took me a few minutes to confirm both predictions.

> The bank appealed the next day, and the decision was ultimately nullified on the grounds that a Justice of the Peace [and a jury representing the American people] did not have the power to make such a ruling."[90]

Mahoney died at age 54, less than six months after the trial. Bill Drexler, Mahoney's associate justice, explained in 2005:

> The money boys that run the 'private Federal Reserve Bank' soon got back at Mahoney by poisoning him in what appeared to have been a fishing boat accident (but with his body pumped full of poison) in June of 1969, less than 6 months after the trial.[91]

No investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

Daly[92] and Drexler[93] were comparatively lucky. After surviving "close calls" too, they were disbarred by the highest (kangaroo) court of the State of Minnesota.[94]

Cloak-and-Dagger Smoking Gun Evidence

> *The West has maintained its dominance through murder and robbery on a planetary scale.* — Nikolai Starikov, 2015[95]

It's time to move from individual illustrations to a bird's eye view of assassinations. Such a view clinches our case, relying on circumstantial, empirical, statistical, predictive, and criminological analyses.

1. The technology of killing someone and making it look like an accident or a suicide reached a state of high art at least as far back as 1975:

> Congressional investigations in the 1970s exposed the CIA's years of experimentation to develop untraceable poisons and secretive murder tools. CIA scientists, including NIH brain surgeon Maitland Baldwin, working under MKUltra's director Sidney Gottlieb at Ft. Detrick, concocted a diabolical arsenal of assassination weaponry including beamed radio frequency radiation, pathogenic microbes, and dissipating chemicals, all intended to mimic natural deaths. This armory of toxins gave the agency capacity to assassinate uncooperative foreign leaders while avoiding suspicion. Such shenanigans suggest that it is our duty as citizens to remain alert to the times democracy might lose control of rogue intelligence agencies.[96]

The nearby photograph shows US Senator Frank Church displaying a Central Institute of Assassinations' (CIA) dart gun that, depending on the poison used, causes either an immediate heart attack or a belated cancer. According to 1975 Congressional testimony, the gun fires a frozen poison-tipped dart. The tiny dart can penetrate clothing and leaves a barely visible pin-sized red mark where it enters the victim's body. In the heart attack version, once in the body, the poison melts, gets absorbed into the bloodstream, and causes cardiac arrest. The poison denatures quickly, so a routine autopsy is likely to ascribe the heart attack to natural causes. There is no question that the CIA's homicide technology has vastly improved since then. In passing: Church probably paid for his courage and for his progressive record with his life. By 1984, at the early age of 59, he died of . . . cancer. Shown also in this photo is Senator John Tower who died in an airplane crash, aged 65 (see the "John Tower" entry, Chapter 2.)

2. Leaked internal memos clearly show that the Invisible Government has given itself a license to kill. We have already met the CIA's 1954 assassination manual: [97]

> The contrived accident is the most effective technique. When successfully executed, it causes little excitement and is only casually investigated."

And here is a letter from a CIA consultant to a CIA officer:[98]

> You will recall that I mentioned that the local circumstances under which a given means might be used might suggest the technique to be used in that case. I think the gross divisions in presenting this subject might be: (1) bodies left with no hope of the cause of death being determined by the most complete autopsy and chemical examinations, (2) bodies left in such circumstances as to simulate accidental death, (3) bodies left in such circumstances as to simulate suicidal death, and (4) bodies left with residue that simulate those caused by natural diseases.

3. We know that the CIA and its allies routinely murder non-compliant foreigners. For instance, few researchers dispute the culpability of Henry Kissinger and Richard Nixon in the assassination of the democratically-elected president of Chile, Salvador Allende. There is likewise no dispute that the American government attempted to kill Cuban leader Fidel Castro, over and over and over again.[99] We know that the American government played a leading role in the murders of Che Guevara, Saddam Hussein, Muammar Gaddafi, and Qasem Soleimani. We know that it imprisoned a Panamanian head of state after invading Panama and murdering hundreds of innocents. We have seen already that the U.S. was complicit in the murder the Secretary General of the United Nations. We have reasons to believe that it has planned to kill not only defiant Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko and other top officials, but even their family members."[100]

Are we supposed to believe that murderers respect national borders?

4. Historically, oligarchs used the cloak-and-dagger approach successfully and often. We encountered already the Gracchi murders and a few others, so a couple of contemporary examples should suffice. Saudi and Colombian compradors routinely murder, torture, and even dismember their imaginary or real political opponents — as did the CIA-installed Chilean, Brazilian, and Argentine oligarchs a few decades ago. One of the greatest historical accounts ever written — the oligarch Thucydides' *History of the Peloponnesian War* — is replete with tales of oligarchic murderousness and treachery.

Are we supposed to believe that the oligarchs controlling the Anglosphere are an exception to this historical rule?

5. Now that the oligarchs' conquest of the Western World is almost complete, they are more inclined to occasionally come out of the shadows. As well, their new tentative transparency serves a more insidious purpose: They are trying to get us used to the idea that they have a license to kill (and they will surely succeed: haven't they inured us to blood-curdling torture?). They are also sending a message to leaders of such vassal states as Germany, Japan, or Denmark: Disobedience will cost you your life.

It is for these reasons that a former top CIA functionary publicly issues a veiled death threat against the popular leader of a state that could turn America into a radioactive inferno.[101]

> Thugs like Putin … keep going until someone takes them out — permanently — with a knockout punch.... If … the only way to get him out of the Kremlin is feet-first, with a bullet hole in the back of his head — that would also be okay with us. Nor would we object … if … his airplane gets blasted out of the sky by some murky para-military group that somehow, inexplicably, got its hands on a surface-to-air missile.

Seven years later, the president of the USA, a man who, among other crimes, played a role in the fascist coup d'etat in Ukraine and the genocide in Iraq, threatened Putin and publicly referred to him as a soulless killer.[102] He said this about s popular president who rescued his people from the horrors of American imperialism — not about the American-propped soulless killers of Saudi Arabia or Colombia.

Earlier in the USA, a vice president was running "an executive assassination ring,"[103] and an attorney general publicly defended the extrajudicial murder of an American citizen.[104]

6. A sixth line of evidence for the ubiquity of assassinations originates from accounts of former hatchet men and their would-be victims.

Consider the taped deathbed confession of notorious CIA hit man, E. Howard Hunt. In that recording, Hunt confesses that it was the American government and its CIA darling (or is it the CIA and its government darling?) that murdered President Kennedy. This confession is especially significant[105] because it corroborates the "work of key John F. Kennedy assassination researchers and historians." It is also significant for another reason: Why would a dying man lie?

And it is not only Hunt:

> Along with [CIA hitman] Morales and E. Howard Hunt [CIA contract killers], del Valle and Diaz also boasted of playing roles in the JFK assassination before their deaths.[106]

Peter Janney, "a real insider," quotes an ex-CIA cutthroat: "Anyone can commit a murder; it takes a real pro to commit a suicide."[107]

And here is Catherine Austin Fitts (Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in the George H. W. Bush Administration):[108]

> The result of saying no is physical violence directed at them or their families.... I was targeted, I was poisoned, I had dead animals left on my doorstep, my home was broken into; people tried to run me off the road. You know it was very, very violent and it went on for years. So people who try and run the government clean or run Wall Street clean are targeted, and literally have to fear for their lives.

7. So far, we have surveyed strong, yet inconclusive, evidence for the cloak-and-dagger hypothesis. We are now going in for the kill: Surefire statistical proofs.

The historical record reveals an undeniable pattern: At least since the days of Lincoln, almost all influential enemies of the Invisible Government, people who knew too much, or people who happened to be in the way — but hardly ever members in good standing of that Government or their flunkeys — suffer or die prematurely.

This pattern is so undeniable, so strikingly consistent, so ubiquitous, that it in turn raises another troubling question: Why is it being ignored by almost all social scientists, statisticians, criminologists, and historians?

In 2022, let me just say that, after years of studying the short happy lives of influential genuine dissidents of the Anglosphere (as opposed to timid, ill-informed, or co-opted "dissidents"), I can only come up with seven possible exceptions to this pattern: Bertrand Russell (died at age 97), Upton Sinclair (90), Pete Seeger (94), Albert Einstein (76), Congressman Wright Patman (82), Ed Asner (91 and a 9/11 doubter), Robert F. Kennedy Jr. (still alive at 67). All seven have been repeatedly smeared, blacklisted, ridiculed (for instance, the FBI "spied on Einstein for a decade"[109]) — but they have, it must be admitted, escaped the Invisible Government's ultimate sanction. At this writing, I suspect that popular hosts Russell Brand (still alive at 46) Joe Rogan (54), George Galloway (67), ex-official Catherine Austin-Fitts (71), and ex-congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard (40), endure harassment, government and media smears, and intimidation. If their defiance continues, and if they remain influential, the pressure will intensify.

8. The next corroboration is closely-linked to the above, this time involving longevity statistics of the Invisible Government's toadies and foes.

Our first group consists of late influential congressmen who consistently defied the Invisible Government (see Chapter 2 of this encyclopedia for more details). Meaningful defiance in the USA is often linked to one or more of the following goals:

- Dismantling the extraordinarily powerful Federal Reserve cartel and replacing it with public banking,

- Directly confronting, exposing, and seeking to curtail the power and wealth of the Rockefellers, Rothschilds, other banking families, the British royals, billionaires, the CIA, MI6, MI5, FBI, NSA, the Military-Industrial Complex, and major pharmaceutical companies,

- Totally eliminating sunshine bribery in American and British politics (aka campaign financing, revolving doors, positive media coverage), thereby undercutting the suffocating power of billionaires,

- Minimizing wealth inequalities,

- Supporting genuine labor unions, workplace democracy, and sustainability,

- Trying to find out who really killed President Kennedy, his brother Robert, his son John, Martin Luther King Jr., Walter Reuther, Princess Diana, Robin Cook, and many other influential friends of humanity,

- Casting doubts on the official histories of the *Maine, Titanic, Lusitania,* Pearl Harbor, *Liberty*,[110] Soviet-American Cold War, the New York tragedy of September 11, 2001, the 2022 Russian Special Operation in Ukraine, or the origins and "treatments" of the Covid-19 virus.[111]

- Halting the US/UK never-ending color revolutions, invasions, and genocides,

- Wresting monopolistic control of information from billionaires and establishing a genuine marketplace of ideas,

- Arguing that conspiracies are an ever-present feature of human history.

In the past 100 years or so, my fragmentary research has uncovered the following (see Chapter 1 for additional details): Hale Boggs (died at age 58), Frank Church (59), Bronson Cutting (46), John Heinz (52; outspoken critic "of the Federal Reserve"),[112] John Kennedy (46), Robert Kennedy (42), Ted Kennedy (dead at age 76, after miraculously surviving two probable assassination attempts), Charles Lindbergh Sr. (65; having endured President Woodrow Wilson's order to burn his book, government shadowing, bribery attempts,[113] shots fired on his car during a political campaign, and the probable revenge-and-warning killing of his 20-month-old grandson and namesake), Huey Long (42; the most defiant, progressive, and dangerous of them all!), Allard Lowenstein (51), Larry McDonald (48; courageously accused the Rockefellers and their allies of a "plot, international in scope, generations old in planning, and incredibly evil in intent"),[114] Louis McFadden (died at age 60, having survived two earlier probable assassination attempts),[115] Wright Patman (died at 82 of natural causes), Leo Ryan (53), John Tower (65; outspoken critic "of the Federal Reserve"),[116] Jim

Traficant (73; died alone in a tractor "accident," after having suffered expulsion from Congress and a 7.5-year-long prison sentence, mostly in an isolation cell),[117] and Paul Wellstone (58). Mean age at death for this small sample: 57.

We need to compare these victims of conscience to congressmen who were faithful servants of the Rockefellers. In his 1906 "The Treason of the Senate," David Graham Phillips conveniently lists 21 such traitors.[118] The average age at death of *these* 21 senators is 73, and this was a century ago, when Americans did not live as long as they live now. So: 73 versus 57.

Similarly, the United States Senate provides a complete list of senators and ex-senators who died between 2000 and 2021.[119] The list includes 122 men and women. The youngest to die in that list is Paul Wellstone at age 58 (see Chapter 2) and the oldest died at age 100. Only three senators in that list died in their 60s. The mean age at death for the group as a whole is 86. So, in this more contemporary list, the gap is 86 versus 57.

We are led to the mind-blowing conclusion that, on average, influentially challenging the Invisible Government shortens one's lifespan by as much as 29 years (by way of comparison, smoking only costs 6.5 years of life[120]). Even if you choose to ignore all other lines of evidence presented in this book and in numerous other studies, this one disparity should convince you that political murders are as American as apple pie.

We may note in passing that, true to form, the Rockefellers managed to have Phillips himself assassinated (aged 43) — and get away with that murder too (see Chapter 3). As well, the biographies of these 21 Rockefelleritos and their 121 successors show that Rockefellerism in this upside-down world of ours pays — not only in longevity but also in honors and riches.

9. The total number of suspected murders in Chapters 1-8 hovers around 50. For these 50 deaths, the official causes are summarized in the first column of the nearby table. For each cause of death, the second column gives the number of corresponding cases and the percentage of that cause in that sample of 50. The third column provides the approximate incidence of each cause of death for the entire population of the USA (which is sufficiently close to that of the Anglosphere as a whole). The fourth column provides the ratio between columns 2 and 3.

It does not take a statistician to note striking discrepancies. Thus, influential challengers of the Invisible Government are 320 times more likely to die in an airplane accident than average Americans, Britons, Australians, Canadians, or New Zealanders; 150 times more likely to get killed by police or soldiers; 31 times more likely to drown; 9 times more likely to commit suicide; and 3 times more likely to die in a vehicle accident. On the other hand, ordinary Americans are more than twice as likely as these challengers to die of cancer, heart attack, or stroke. Such vast discrepancies can be best attributed to the only difference between the two groups: enmity of the Invisible Government towards the challengers, and indifference towards ordinary citizens.

Table 1. Causes of deaths: Influential Dissidents vs. the Entire Population of the USA

Causes of death in our sample of 50	Number of deaths for each cause (and %) in our sample of 50	Approximate % of this cause among all deaths in the USA	Ratio: columns 2:3
Murder	13 (26)	0.6	43
Airplane Malfunction	8 (16)	0.05	320
Suicide	8 (16)	1.7	9
Heart-related Problem	5 (10)	23	0.4
Car or Tractor Accident	2 (4)	1.3	3
Cancers and Tumors	5 (10)	21.2	0.5
Killed by Police / Soldiers	3 (6)	0.04	150
Drowning	2 (4)	0.13	31
Home-made Explosives	1 (2)	—	—
Stroke	1 (2)	4.9	0.4
Unknown	2 (4)	—	—
Total	50 (100)		

10. Wikipedia provides a government-approved list of assassinated American politicians.[121] Despite its numerous oversights, this list is instructive. For the sake of consistency and brevity, let us focus on just one sub-group on that list: the six federal congressmen and ex-congressmen officially murdered since 1915. The first four challengers of the Invisible Government — Presidents John F. Kennedy and William McKinley and likely-to-win presidential candidates Robert F. Kennedy and Huey Long — are discussed elsewhere,[122] in the vast assassination literature, and in this encyclopedia. To my surprise however, the list contained two unfamiliar (to me) names.

By now I knew to ask the right question: Were these two enemies of the Invisible Government too? **Allard Lowenstein** was a progressive, anti-war, one-time congressman elected in 1968. By 1970, he was gerrymandered out of office. Lowenstein crossed the Invisible Government's red line in 1975:

> Lowenstein was one of the most vocal critics of the unwillingness of Los Angeles and Federal authorities to reopen the investigation into the June 6, 1968 assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Lowenstein's one hour appearance on the PBS television show *Firing Line* in 1975 … was one of the first times the American public were shown that many

> elements of ballistic and forensic evidence were radically at odds with eyewitness testimony and the assumption that Sirhan Sirhan alone had shot Senator Kennedy.[123]

He was murdered in 1980, age 51, allegedly by a madman.

Leo Ryan was also a man of conscience:

> After the Watts Riots of 1965, Assemblyman Ryan took a job as a substitute school teacher to investigate and document conditions in the area. In 1970, he investigated the conditions of California prisons by being held, under a pseudonym, as an inmate in Folsom Prison, while presiding as chairman of the Assembly committee that oversaw prison reform. During his time in Congress, Ryan traveled to Newfoundland to investigate the practice of seal hunting. He was also famous for vocal criticism of the lack of Congressional oversight of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).[124]

Ryan crossed the line in 1974:

> Leo Ryan's murder is seen by many as being much more sinister than the hysterical behavior of a madman. Leo Ryan had been a strong critic of the CIA and was the author of the Hughes-Ryan Amendment, which, if passed, would have required that the CIA report to Congress on all of its covert operations before they commenced. Soon after Ryan's death, the Hughes-Ryan Amendment was quashed in Congress. The question conspiracy theorists ask is whether Ryan was killed in order to reach this objective and the massacre at "Jonestown" merely a smoke screen to distract attention away from Ryan's murder?[125]

Ryan was murdered in 1978, age 53, in a coordinated, highly professional, attack.

So here we go again: All six congressmen and ex-congressmen officially murdered since 1915 were thorns on the side of the Invisible Government. By contrast, not one congressional bootlicker of the Rothschilds or Rockefellers appears on that list — even though such bootlickers far outnumber their heroic colleagues.

This cannot possibly be a coincidence. If you agree that tobacco and asbestos kill, you must agree that dissidence kills too. (See Chapter 2 for more expanded coverage of Lowenstein and Ryan).

11. According to Karl Popper, the power and appeal of any real scientific theory are derived in part from the ability of that theory to bring forward falsifiable predictions. The assassination hypothesis passes this criterion with flying colors.

Indeed, assassination researchers can often answer the question "Who is next?" They have learned that when anyone crosses a red line, accidentally or by design, it is just a matter of time before the Invisible Government springs into action.

More generally, every time I run across a historical account of an influential challenger to the Invisible Government's rule and schemes, I immediately try to find out whether that person died prematurely or was made to suffer. Often, my dire guesses meet with "a success unexpected in common hours." Likewise, every time an influential person suffers or dies prematurely (e.g., Lowenstein and Ryan, above), my first question is: Were they enemies of the Men in the Shadows?

For instance, that is how I predicted the tragic sequel to the case of "*First National Bank of Montgomery vs. Daly*" (see above). All accounts I had read until then went only as far as the trial itself. I suspected by then that the story had to have had a far uglier and more violent ending.

Likewise, I had never heard of Bronson Cutting before, but one day I saw his name on the list of congressmen who died in an airplane crash. I proceeded to look into his case — and you can check the results in Chapter 2 of this encyclopedia.

Cloak-and-dagger researchers can likewise predict future events. I knew and told friends that actor Charlie Sheen would get into trouble after he publicly expressed doubts[126] in 2009 about the official version of 9/11. Sure enough, 3.5 months later he was temporarily arrested,[127] 5 months later his car was stolen and fell off a cliff,[128] 9 months later he was sentenced to 17 days in jail,[129] 12 months later his ex-wife was arrested,[130] and 18 months later he was fired from his popular TV show and allegedly suffered an emotional breakdown.

As the British Petroleum 2010 Gulf of Mexico catastrophe unfolded, I didn't know enough to predict the many associated deaths and disappearances.[131] However, I was convinced that the most prominent critic of the criminal handling of that catastrophe, high-level oil industry insider Matt Simmons, might pay for his courage. A few months later, Simmons died of a "heart attack in the bathtub." (See Chapter 6).

Another landmark for me was Chokwe Lumumba, the late mayor of Jackson, Mississippi. As soon as I read about his progressive program (in an article on June 28, 2013, that has since been partially removed[132]), I realized his life was at risk. I unsuccessfully tried to post a warning in that publication and another local one, signed with my name as a university professor. By February 2014, Chokwe died of a "heart attack," aged 66.

Dr. Michael I. Niman writes that he and many others *predicted* that Senator Wellstone would be murdered:

> Anyone familiar with my work knows that I'm certainly not a conspiracy theorist. But to be honest, I know I wasn't alone in my initial reaction at this week's horrible and tragic news: that being my surprise that Wellstone had lived this long. Perhaps it's just my anger and frustration at losing one of the few reputable politicians in Washington, but I also felt shame. Shame for not writing in my column, months ago, that I felt that Paul Wellstone's life, more so than any other politician in Washington, was in danger. I felt that such speculation was unprofessional and would ultimately undermine my credibility. In the end, my own self-interest triumphed, and I never put my concerns into print. Neither did any other mainstream journalist, though I know of many who shared my concern."[133]

12. In the background of all this, there is the question of morality. Do the American and British governments care about the sanctity of human life or are they capable of any villainy whatsoever?

Sadly, as we have seen, the historical record supports Nikolai Starikov's[134] assertion that, since the creation of the Private Bank of England in 1694, "The Anglo-Saxons have been following one rule in politics, and this rule is that there are no rules."

Despite America's self-serving pretensions of holding the moral high ground, all its actions are consistent with this view. From the Sand Creek Massacre, to Irish indenture, to the Ludlow and Fallujah massacres, from Operation Gladio to 9/11 to the Boston Marathon to Covid-19, from torture of unwitting US citizens as part of human experimentation on mind control to irradiating unwitting orphans in Massachusetts and torturing children in Denmark, from the incarceration of Benjamin Franklin Bach and Eugene Debs to the incarceration of Chelsea Manning and Julian Assange, from heartless neo-colonialism, to the CIA cynical takeover of U.S. news organizations, to the deliberate impoverishment of working class Americans, to police brutality, nuclear brinkmanship, civil

forfeiture, austerity for the vast majority and more billions for the trillionaires,[135] the record is absolutely clear.

The immorality of the real rulers of Britain and the USA is a historical fact. Although this immorality doesn't prove the cloak-and-dagger hypothesis, it decisively removes the objection that these rulers wouldn't murder innocents to achieve their goals. They have demonstrably sunk far lower, not once or twice, but thousands of times throughout the past three centuries. As well, as far as I am aware, throughout these centuries, they have failed to commit a single act of disinterested kindness.

Testimonials

By moving beyond specific case studies to a more holistic, statistical, approach, this chapter provided a comprehensive confirmation that the Invisible Government routinely sidelines, smears, blackmails, bribes, harasses, incarcerates, and kills influential enemies and other inconvenient individuals.

It's comforting to know, however, that the Invisible Government's cloak-and-dagger savagery is taken for granted by many other observers.

President Woodrow Wilson:

> Some of the biggest men in the United States, in the field of commerce and manufacture … know that there is a power somewhere so organized, so subtle, so watchful, so interlocked, so complete, so pervasive, that they had better not speak above their breath when they speak in condemnation of it.[136]

Ex-Congressman Ron Paul:

> Those secret budgets have allowed the CIA to carry out some pretty shady practices over the years. Chiefly, assassinations.... There are certainly a lot of theories about the CIA being involved in even domestic assassinations, and they certainly are now involved in presidential directed assassinations.[137]

Former London mayor, Ken Livingstone:

> Everyone coming out from the political system knows: If you pose a threat to the American interest, you might be destabilized, there might be a smear campaign or you might even have a nasty accident. An awful lot of people who challenge American interest seem to die.[138]

Ernest Hemingway (a 20th century American novelist and would-be FBI victim, see below):[139]

> If people bring so much courage to this world the world has to kill them to break them, so of course it kills them. The world breaks every one and afterward many are strong at the broken places. But those that it will not break it kills. It kills the very good and the very gentle and the very brave impartially.

Former congresswoman Cynthia McKinney:

> [The USA] "has had authentic, servant leaders on the national level and many of them were targeted for assassination by the State.... those of us who try and inject love, vision, compassion and common sense into the political discourse are quickly discredited, chewed up, and expectorated.... Heaven forbid if the people would actually turn off the television and

> think. There would be a revolution tomorrow. And the rest of the world could finally live in peace and Mother Earth could reclaim her dignity.... The military might of the US is being used to benefit a very small group of men and women who have the rest of humankind hoodwinked as to the true nature of what is going on. The rest of humankind can't imagine that amount of greed and willingness to kill and so, are easily fooled and tricked."[140]

Psychiatrist and author Andrew M. Łobaczewski:

> Whenever a society contains serious social problems, there will also be some group of sensible people striving to improve the social situation by means of energetic reforms, so as to eliminate the cause of social tension. Others consider it their duty to bring about a moral rejuvenation of society. Elimination of social injustice and reconstruction of the country's morals and civilization could deprive a pathocracy of any chance to take over. Such reformers and moralists must therefore be consistently neutralized by means of liberal or conservative positions and appropriately suggestive catchwords and paramoralisms; if necessary, the best among them has to be murdered.[141]

Novelist Rand Clifford:

> If you had the privilege of creating dollars from thin air, and loaning them to government at interest, you might do anything to protect that privilege.[142]

Theologian and writer Jim Douglass:

> We live in a world where assassination has become an unspeakable, nationally approved art to frustrate fundamental change.[143]

Psychiatrist Stuart Jean Bramhall:

> Political power is concentrated in a wealthy elite who employ an invisible intelligence-security network to terrorize — and sometimes kill — dissidents and whistle blowers who threaten their interests.[144]

Is the Cloak-and-Dagger Strategy Effective?

To see how assassinations or attempted assassinations can alter the course of history, take a look at the past. According to the Old Testament, Ehud liberated his people and brought them 80 years of peace by courageously assassinating the king of Moab. Alexander of Macedonia changed the world by killing his relatives. Pelopidas and friends radically changed the course of Greek history by assassinating the four ruling Theban despots.

Or take the example of American presidents since the days of Andrew Jackson. Jackson himself miraculously survived the Invisible Government's plot to kill him — and delayed its program of world conquest by decades. Zachary Taylor died in office, and he too was perhaps insufficiently compliant. Lincoln and Kennedy really annoyed the Men in the Shadows — and we know where that got them. James Garfield and William McKinley might have been thorns in their sides too — and were assassinated. Franklin Delano Roosevelt served them well in office, but was still sufficiently troublesome to try to remove through assassinations and then a failed Nazi putsch — and he too died in office. Wilson was their yes-man to begin with, but towards the end became an outspoken critic — and he became incapacitated in office. Each of these successful liquidations impeded progress.

Can you imagine where the USA would be now had the Men in the Shadows failed to assassinate Huey Long? Can you imagine Bronson Cutting achieving his dream of obliterating fractional reserve banking and private ownership of America's Central Bank?

The threat of assassination is one of the most powerful weapons in the arsenal of the Invisible Government. Here is just one illustration of its devastating implications. Nowadays, observers are astounded by the subservience of so many countries to the United States. This tendency to sell out their own dignity and people in service of English and American bankers and spooks is especially striking in Western Europe, whose economy is comparable in size to that of the United States. The ever-present threat of assassination throws some light on this puzzle: Would you defy your Anglo-Saxon masters if you suspected that such defiance would cost your career and perhaps even your life? Would you have the courage of Charles de Gaulle or Fidel Castro to go on challenging the CIA/MI6/Mossad trio, despite recurring assassination attempts?

Indeed, the effectiveness of assassinations goes far beyond American presidents and senators. Might not history have unfolded in a radically different way had the Men in the Shadows:

- Abstained from routinely and openly framing, jailing, and murdering union members and leaders?
- Let influential artists like Ernest Hemingway, Richard Wright, John Lennon, Jim Morrison, Bob Marley, and Phil Ochs live?
- Refrained from assassinating Martin Luther King Jr. and Mohandas Gandhi?
- Let Aldo Moro, Salvador Allende, Omar Torrijos, Patrice Lumumba, Slobodan Milošević, Saddam Hussein, Muammar Gaddafi, Robin Cook, Olof Palme, Hugo Chávez — and thousands of others — live to old age?

There is no question then that

> political assassinations have been part of social reality since the emergence of communal social frameworks, as the leaders of tribes, villages, and other types of communities constantly needed to defend their privileged status.... While many people are familiar with the military victories of Alexander the Great, few today recall that his ascendance to power was facilitated by the assassination of his father (an innovative and talented politician in his own right), who was struck down by a bodyguard as he was entering a theater to attend his daughter's marriage celebrations. In a somewhat more famous incident, Gaius Julius Caesar was assassinated in 44 BCE by Roman senators who increasingly feared that Caesar would revoke their privileges. In modern times, political assassinations continue to play an important role in political and social processes and, in some cases, have a dramatic effect.... "The impact of assassinations on America and the World is incalculable."[145]

Conclusion

The historical and statistical evidence presented in this chapter unequivocally supports this statement: Organized finance and its allies parasitize Planet Earth in part through a program of vilifications, smears, incarcerations, and murders. The following chapters will further corroborate this conclusion.

CHAPTER 2: POLITICIANS

"They do not tell the truth; they are liars! They manipulate our history books." — Michael Jackson[146]

Abraham Lincoln: See Chapter 1.

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Hale Boggs, 1914-1972 (aged 58).

Relevant positions: Representative from Louisiana (1947-1972); House majority whip; House majority leader; one of seven members of the Warren Commission.

Official cause of death: Airplane accident (his airplane vanished in Alaska and was never found; three others disappeared as well: the pilot, Representative Nick Begich, and Begich's aide).

Grounds for murder?

- As we have seen (Chapter 1), Hale Boggs played a critical role in alerting District Attorney Jim Garrison to the fraud that is otherwise called "the Warren Commission."

- Boggs told an aide that FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover "lied his eyes out to the [Warren] Commission — on Oswald, on Ruby, on their friends, the bullets, the gun, you name it."[147]

- Later that month Boggs went on to say: "Over the postwar years, we have granted to the elite and secret police within our system vast new powers over the lives and liberties of the people. At the request of the trusted and respected heads of those forces, and their appeal to the necessities of national security, we have exempted those grants of power from due accounting and strict surveillance."[148]

- "Boggs dissented from the Warren Commission's majority report which supported the single bullet theory — pointing to a lone assassin. Boggs said he 'had strong doubts about it.'"

- "In the 1979 novel 'The Matarese Circle', author Robert Ludlum portrayed Boggs as having been killed to stop his probe into the assassination."[149]

- "It is a myth that the Warren Commission was united in its conclusion that a lone assassin killed President John F. Kennedy. On the seven-member Warren Commission, there were three dissenters: Senator Sherman Cooper, Senator Richard Russell, and Congressman Hale Boggs." As Dallas journalist Jim Marrs pointed out, "the most vocal critic among Commission members [was Hale Boggs]. Boggs became frustrated with the panel's total reliance on the FBI for information. On April 1, 1971, House Majority Leader Boggs delivered a blistering attack on [FBI Director] J. Edgar Hoover, charging that under his directorship the FBI had adopted 'the tactics of the Soviet Union and Hitler's Gestapo.'"[150]

- Several years after Hale Boggs' death in 1972, a colleague of his wife Lindy (who was elected to fill her late husband's seat in Congress) recalled Mrs. Boggs remarking, "Hale felt very, very torn during his work [on the Commission] … he wished he had never been on it and wished he'd never signed it [the Warren Report]."[151] "Richard Russell, Hale Boggs and [Sherman] Cooper believed there was a conspiracy in the JFK assassination. Russell and Boggs both said so publicly."[152]

- "This is somewhat like the position the Warren Commission took when Richard Russell, Hale Boggs and John Sherman Cooper refused to sign the draft of the Warren Report until a qualifying statement was inserted. The statement read, 'Because of the difficulty of proving negatives to a certainty the possibility of others being involved with either Oswald or Ruby cannot be established categorically but if there is any such evidence it has been beyond the reach of all the investigative agencies and resources of the United States and has not come to the attention of this Commission.'"[153]

- "The *Los Angeles Star*, on November 22, 1973, reported that before his death Boggs claimed he had 'startling revelations' on Watergate and the assassination of John F. Kennedy."[154]

- The airplane "accident" that took the life of Hale Boggs might have actually killed two trouble makers with one bomb: Representative Nick Begich "was at the forefront when it came to civil rights, education, the environment, and ending American involvement in Southeast Asia."[155]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Boggs' widow "expressed doubts about it being an accident."[156]

- In defiance of state and federal laws, "neither the pilot nor aircraft had an emergency location transmitter."[157]

License to kill?

No investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

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Jo Cox, 1974-2016 (aged 41).

Relevant position: Member of Parliament, Batley and Spen, UK, 2015-2016.

Official cause of death: Shot and stabbed by a lone, crazed, assassin.

Grounds for murder?

"Cox . . . was an energetic supporter of Britain remaining in the EU."[158] In turn, the "European Union always was a CIA project" — a key component in the Invisible Government's plan of subjugating that continent.[159] Jon Rappoport explains how Cox's support of the Invisible Government on this critical issue might have, paradoxically, played into the Invisible Government's hands:

> On June 23rd, the UK will vote on whether to stay in the European Union (the "remain" campaign) or leave the EU ('Brexit'). "The polls show a marked shift, with Brexit supporters gaining. Then a British MP, Jo Cox, who has urged Brits to remain, is murdered. "The man who is arrested, Thomas Mair, is alleged to have shouted 'Britain First!' (Brexit) as he killed Cox. However, now witnesses on the scene are saying they heard no such thing. "Too late. Social media and news media are running with the 'Britain First, Brexit killer' narrative. "Here is the psyop formula: MP Jo Cox wanted to remain in the EU. Her killer was a 'Brexit right-wing crazy' who yelled 'Britain First!' as he murdered her. Therefore, all people who want Brexit are right-wing crazies. Therefore, vote to remain in the EU."[160]
>
> The sad death of pro-EU British MP Jo Cox prompted a buying spree in Sterling that carried on through today as hope sprung eternal that her assassination (and the efforts to politicize the actions of a mad man) would lead to either a delayed vote or sympathetic pro-EU "Remain' swing."[161]
>
> The first Brexit poll since the killing of Jo Cox suggested that 'staying in the bloc won 45 percent support in the … telephone poll of 1,001 adults … Leaving was endorsed by 42 percent. The poll marked a *reversal* of positions from [a] previous survey which was released just before pro-EU Labour Party lawmaker Cox was murdered.[162]

- Cox challenged the all-powerful Zionist lobby:

> Cox had only been elected in 2015. As an MP, she was involved with Labour Friends of Palestine and wrote part of a 2015 report by the group, urging a lifting of the Israeli blockade on Gaza. She said in February that moves by the Conservative government to use legal threats to curtail the boycott of Israel were "gross attack on democratic freedoms. It is our right to boycott unethical companies."[163]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

See here.[164]

License to kill?

No investigation of foul play was ever carried out.

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Bronson Cutting, 1988-1935 (aged 46).

Relevant position: Senator from New Mexico (1927-1935).

Official cause of death: Airplane crash (five of the eight people aboard were killed).[165]

Grounds for murder?

- "Cutting was one of the radicals in the Senate, mostly old Progressives."[166]

- Cutting felt that private banking "was doomed by the New Deal because government should control money and credit, without the interference of private banks." Cutting wrote:

> The fight against the abolition of the credit power of private banks will be a savage one, for their power as a unit is without equal in the country. Knowing this is why I think back to the events of March 4, 1933, with a sick heart. For then, with even the bankers thinking the whole economic system had crashed to ruin, the nationalization of banks by President Roosevelt could have been accomplished without a word of protest. It was President Roosevelt's great mistake. Now the bankers will make a mighty struggle.[167]

- "He was highly critical of the role of private bankers in the economy and an advocate of greater government involvement in banking and credit and national planning."[168]

- Cutting posed a serious threat to one of the Invisible Government's main sources of strength: Fractional reserve banking. He sought to impose 100% reserves on demand deposits.[169] Vice President Henry Wallace referred to Cutting's proposal as "a complete break with our present banking history." Cutting's death was indeed a significant blow[170] to saving America from the yoke of the bankers:

> As a supporter of the Chicago plan proposed by economist Irving Fisher and others at the University of Chicago, Cutting was among a handful of influential senators who might have been able to remove from the private banks their ability to manipulate the money supply by enforcing a 100 percent reserve requirement for all credit creation, as stipulated in the Chicago plan. His death in an airliner crash cut short what may have been his most enduring legacy to the nation.[171]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "A significant blow to the Chicago plan came in May when Senator Bronson Cutting died in an airplane crash. Cutting's reelection in 1934 turned out to be a very dirty campaign … After Cutting emerged as the apparent victor … by slightly over one thousand votes, the election results, with Roosevelt administration approval, were contested. It was during a trip back to New Mexico to get affidavits in connection with the contested election that Cutting's plane crashed in Missouri. Schlesinger reports that some of the Progressives blamed Roosevelt for Cutting's death."[172]

- We know that in 1933, President Roosevelt narrowly survived an assassination attempt.[173] Also in that same year, the Rockefellers, Banker Preston Bush, and fellow oligarchs planned to forcibly remove President Roosevelt from office and replace him with a more subservient dictator.[174] We know that these powerful fascists were never punished. On the contrary, they steadily grew in strength, to the point where the son and grandson of Preston would, in due course, become presidents of the United States. If these oligarchs could get away with such an act of high treason, why would they not murder such a troublesome reformer as Bronson Cutting?

- Some two years after that failed 1933 "Wall Street Putsch," and six months after Cutting's death, Huey Long (see below) was murdered. Moreover, we know that Smedley Butler, the retired general who single-handedly stopped that putsch, died in 1940, at the early age of 58, allegedly of cancer. So here you have it. A conspiracy that is an undisputed historical fact. The plotters go unpunished; that too is undisputed. Why then shouldn't they murder Cutting, Long, and Butler, three people who posed a far greater threat to their power than President Roosevelt ever did?

License to kill?

No investigation of Cutting's death — beyond the official explanation — has ever been carried out.

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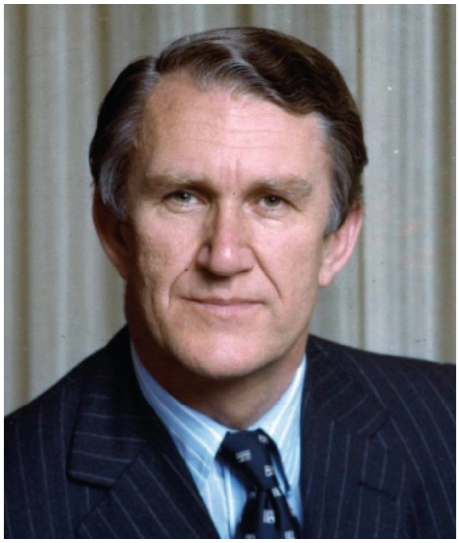
John Malcolm Fraser,1930-2015 (aged 84).



Relevant position: 22nd Prime Minister of Australia (1975-1983); later, an influential champion of progressive causes in Australia and the world.

Official cause of death: Short illness.

Grounds for murder?

- Although almost 85 at the time of his death, Fraser still posed a serious threat to British, American, and Israeli interests.

- In his early career Fraser championed conservative causes. In particular, he played an unsavoury role in one of Australia's most shameful political upheavals — the arbitrary sacking of the Gough Whitlam government in 1975. However, gradually (like presidents Wilson and Kennedy in the USA), Fraser embraced progressive causes, for example, championing the end of apartheid in South Africa. He also wished to sever Australia's constitutional ties to the British Crown. Ironically, he and his old foe Whitlam became good friends and even shared platforms together promoting the anti-monarchist cause — a cause which failed at a national referendum in 1999.

- Fraser had become very popular with his old enemies but hated by his former colleagues. By 2009, he actually resigned from the Liberal Party (which, despite its name, has long been the Conservative party in Australia). In his later years, Fraser opposed the vast expansion of the power of intelligence agencies and the deterioration of human rights in Australia and the West. In many cases, he said, "the onus of proof has been reversed and the justice that once prevailed has been gravely diminished."[175]

- Over the years, Fraser became steadily more critical of US foreign policy and by 2013 he was advocating strongly for Australia to cut its ties with the US under the Australia, New Zealand, United States (ANZUS) Security Treaty and to remove American military bases

from Australia. He advocated withdrawal of Australian troops from Iraq, and accused the United States of breaking the rule of law in "its self-declared 'global war on terror.'" He was particularly critical of the American view of itself as an exceptional country and its foreign policies, and "called for an end to Australia's military alliance with the United States."[176] By 2014, Fraser presciently warned that it was in Australia's interests to normalize relations with China and that "Australia risks being pulled into a disastrous war against China because successive Australian governments have surrendered the nation's strategic independence to Washington." Fraser said the US had a record of embarking on disastrous military adventures, and accused the USA of lying to its people and allies about the war in Vietnam.[177]

- And then in May 2014, on a Melbourne radio program, Fraser said that Israel deliberately bombed the *USS Liberty* in June 1967.[178] The host accused him of offering "crazy conspiracy talk" but Fraser stuck to his guns. This was significant not only because Fraser was an ex-prime Minster but, as a young parliamentarian in the late 60s, he served as Minister for the Army under the Holt government at the time of the attack. He was also Minister for Defence under the Gorton government soon thereafter, and so would have had access to high level intelligence at the time.

- Fraser died very suddenly on March 20, 2015. Just 12 days before he died he tweeted in response to an anti-Netanyahu rally in Israel that "not all Israelis are as dangerous as Netanyahu."[179]

- Even more importantly, Fraser planned to start a new political party that would focus on achieving a truly independent national foreign policy free from the US, UK, and Israel. Fraser was at the time of his death remarkably popular — probably more popular than he had ever been; and with disillusionment with the main parties at an all-time high, it is likely that he could have attracted a significant number of votes.

- According to then Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke, Fraser "moved so far to the left he was almost out of sight."[180]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- In the tribute to him in the Fairfax media in Australia, Fraser was quoted just before his death saying he was in excellent health (he certainly appeared to be) declaring that "he had a lot of living to do. In early February he tweeted images of his fishing trip to New Zealand."[181]

License to kill?

No investigation beyond the official explanation of a short illness has ever been carried out.

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John Heinz, 1938-1991 (aged 52).

Relevant position: Congressman from Pennsylvania, 1971-1991.

Official cause of death: Airplane crash (two children and four other adults also died).

Grounds for murder?

- According to Michael A. Kirchubel:[182] "Senators John Heinz and John Tower had served on the powerful Senate Banking and Finance Committee and were outspoken critics of the Federal Reserve. On April 4, 1991, Senator John Heinz was killed in a plane crash near Philadelphia. The next day, April 5, 1991, Senator John Tower was also killed in a plane crash. Did the bankers kill Heinz and Tower? I'm guessing, no. It's much more likely they were killed because they both had knowledge about George H. W. Bush's intimate involvement in the Iran-Contra-Cocaine triangle. And yes, I did say cocaine.... The C.I.A. flew tons of cocaine into the USA." Kirchubel quotes President George H. W. Bush: "If the American people ever find out what we have done, they will chase us down the street and lynch us."

- Wayne Madsen agrees: "Pennsylvania Senator John Heinz III, a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence that investigated Iran-Contra and one of Tower's supporters in the confirmation vote for Secretary of Defense, [was] worrying and angering 'Bush and his sycophants at the CIA.'"[183]

The important point, however, is that both the bankers and the Bushes were interested in killing Representative Heinz. Either way, it is probable that he was killed by his own government.

License to kill?

No investigation beyond the official explanation of an airplane crash has ever been carried out.

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Charles August Lindbergh Sr. (or: "Two Lindberghs were enough"), 1859-1924 (aged 65).

This complex case involves three Lindbergh generations. Lindbergh Sr. died at age of 65, but there is no clear evidence that he was murdered. The man who allegedly killed his grandson and namesake, however, was almost certainly framed. This in turn raises the strong possibility that this murder was a revenge and intimidation killing against Lindbergh himself (dead by now), and his son (and the father of the baby), a popular aviator who lent his influential voice to the peace party.

Relevant positions: Representative from Minnesota, 1907-1917; candidate for governor of Minnesota, 1924.

Official cause of death: Naturally-occurring brain cancer.

Essential background information

Although by the beginning of the 20th century the bankers were fully in control of America, they were still concerned about a populist movement that might deprive them of that power. They decided therefore to formalize their control by establishing yet another Central Bank of the USA, which they — and not the people — would control. To do this, they engaged in one of the wiliest conspiracies of all time. In 1910, seven of them secretly met on Jekyll Island, off the coast of Georgia, to finalize their takeover of the USA. Later, by coaxing former president Teddy Roosevelt to run on a third party platform, they saw to it that their lackey — Woodrow Wilson — was elected president. To pull the wool over the eyes of the people and even such naive people's champions as William Jennings Bryan, they pretended that they, themselves, were opposed to their own bill. They were also helped by the suspicious sinking of the *Titanic* in 1912, and the death of three passengers who happened to be on board in its maiden voyage and who, at the time, also happened to be the most powerful opponents of the Federal Reserve conspiracy.[184] The fateful bill passed in 1913.

Lindbergh Sr. died in 1924, aged 65, following a vicious smear campaign and assassination threats.

His grandson and namesake died in 1932, aged 20 months, in the so-called *Crime of the Century*.

Grounds for murder?

- Lindbergh was the most strident congressional critic of the Federal Reserve Syndicate while it was being planned and implemented. He presciently[185] saw what was coming:

> The financial system has been turned over to the Federal Reserve Board. That board administers a finance system by authority of a purely profiteering group. That system is private, conducted for the sole purpose of obtaining the greatest possible profits from the use of other people's money. This (Federal Reserve) Act establishes the most gigantic trust on Earth. When the president signs this bill,

> the invisible governments by the Monetary Power will be legalized. The people may not know it immediately but the day of reckoning is only a few years removed. The worst legislative crime of the ages is perpetrated by this banking bill.[186]

- "In 1917, Lindbergh brought articles of impeachment against members of the Federal Reserve Board including Paul Warburg [a Rothschild associate] and William Proctor Gould Harding, correctly charging that they were involved 'in a conspiracy to violate the Constitution and laws of the United States.'"[187]

- Lindbergh presented to Congress "The Bankers' Manifesto of 1892."[188] The quote below gives you the flavor of that manifesto and how trillionaire[189] or billionaire bankers view the world. You can judge for yourself whether its authors are capable of exacting the most barbaric revenge on a toddler who happened to be the grandson and namesake of the man responsible for this disclosure:

> We must [the bankers wrote] proceed with caution and guard every move made, for the lower order of people are already showing signs of restless commotion. Prudence will therefore show a policy of apparently yielding to the popular will until our plans are so far consummated that we can declare our designs without fear of any organized resistance. The Farmers Alliance and Knights of Labor Organizations in the United States should be carefully watched by our trusted men, and we must take immediate steps to control these organizations in our interest or disrupt them.... When through the process of law, the common people have lost their homes, they will be more tractable and easily governed through the influence of the strong arm of government applied to a central power of imperial wealth under the control of the leading financiers. People without homes will not quarrel with their leaders.... The question of tariff reform must be urged through the organization known as the Democratic Party, and the question of protection with the reciprocity must be forced to view through the Republican Party. By thus dividing the voters, we can get them to expend their energies in fighting over questions of no importance to us, except as teachers to the common herd. Thus, by discrete actions, we can secure all that has been so generously planned and successfully accomplished.

<u>Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill</u>

- In 1917, President Woodrow Wilson ordered the confiscation of all possible copies and burning of the printing plates of Lindbergh's "polite, anti-war polemic" *Why is Your Country at War*?[190] (Lindbergh's answer to that question: The bankers.)[191]

- Lindbergh was subjected to vicious smears and media attacks,[192] assassination threats,[193] bribery attempts, and shots fired on his car during a political campaign.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- At the time of his death, Lindbergh was a candidate for governor on the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party ticket. The Invisible Government would have probably been willing to do anything to prevent him from becoming governor.[194]

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Associated death: Charles August Lindbergh, Jr., 1930-1932 (aged 20 months).

Relevant positions: Grandson and namesake of Representative Lindbergh; son of anti-war campaigner and famous pilot Lindbergh.

Alleged cause of death: Blow to the head, crushing his skull.

Grounds for murder?

- Revenge and intimidation killing (this baby was the grandson of by then late Congressman Lindbergh).

- Revenge and intimidation killing (this baby was the son of aviator Charles Lindbergh, a racist, a Nazi sympathizer, a despicable Russophobe — but also, like his father, an influential anti-war activist). The famous pilot adamantly opposed the USA entering World War II, and relied on his popularity to denounce that plan in many public forums.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, on his own authority, began to investigate aviator Lindbergh's personal life. Hoover had his agents looking for anything that might discredit Lindbergh's reputation, such as information purporting that during Prohibition, Lindbergh had bootlegged whiskey in Montana and had consorted with pimps and prostitutes."[195]

- "Charged with kidnapping, extortion, and first-degree murder, [Bruno Richard] Hauptmann [a 34-year-old German-American carpenter] went on trial in a circus-like atmosphere … Six weeks later, he was convicted on all counts [and] sentenced … to death. Although he continued to adamantly maintain his innocence, all of Hauptmann's appeals and petitions for clemency were rejected by early December 1935. Despite a last-minute attempt by New Jersey Governor Harold G. Hoffman (who believed Hauptmann was guilty, but *expressed doubts that he could have acted alone*) to convince him to confess to the crimes in exchange for getting his sentence commuted to life imprisonment, the by then 36-year-old Hauptmann *refused* and was electrocuted." [Italics mine).[196]

- Moreover, Hauptmann had no motive to kill toddler Lindbergh, but the Invisible Government had both the criminal record and the motive. Later scholarship provides additional confirmation of Hauptmann's innocence.[197]

License to kill?

No investigation questioning the manifestly-flawed official narrative was ever carried out. (That ludicrous narrative would have us believe that a man with no previous criminal record would carry out a senseless murder and then prefer death to confessing to a crime he allegedly committed).

The grandfather and namesake of this bludgeoned infant was, from 1907 to 1917, the Invisible Government's Enemy #1. In 1917, for instance, Congressman Lindbergh had the temerity to try to impeach members of the Federal Reserve Board, including the all-powerful Paul Warburg. They likewise despised the congressman's famous aviator son, the father of the butchered baby.

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Huey Long ("one of the most dangerous men in America"), 1893-1935 (aged 42).

Relevant positions: A popular ex-governor of Louisiana, 1928-1932; senator from Louisiana, 1932-1935; a popular presidential hopeful, 1935.[198]

Official cause of death: Lone assassin according to the mainstream majority, while a minority mainstream view[199] holds that Long was shot by one of his own (bribed?) bodyguards. According to some sources, the ultimate cause was inadequate medical attention after he was shot (as was later the case of Martin Luther King Jr. and many others).

Grounds for murder?

- Long was an ardent critic of the Federal Reserve Syndicate.[200] "Long made speeches denouncing the large banking houses of Morgan and Rockefeller centered in New York which owned stock in the Federal Reserve System. He believed that they controlled the monetary system to their own benefit, instead of the general public's benefit."[201]

- Long denounced the rich and the banks and "unveiled an economic plan he called Share Our Wealth. Long argued there was enough wealth in the country for every individual to enjoy a comfortable standard of living, but that it was unfairly concentrated in the hands of a few millionaire bankers, businessmen and industrialists who exploited the poor in an attempt to get wealthier … Long proposed a new tax code which would limit personal fortunes to $5 million, annual income to $1 million (or 300 times the income of the average family), and inheritances to $5 million. The resulting funds would be used to guarantee every family a basic household grant of $5,000 and a minimum annual income of $2,000-3,000 (or one-third the average family income). Long supplemented his plan with proposals for free primary and college education, old-age pensions, veterans' benefits, federal assistance to farmers, public works projects, and limiting the work week to thirty hours.... Long believed that only a radical restructuring of the national economy and elimination of disparities of wealth, while retaining the essential features of the capitalist system, would end the Great Depression and stave off violent revolution. After the Senate rejected one of his wealth redistribution bills, Long told them 'a mob is coming to hang the other ninety-five of you damn scoundrels and I'm undecided whether to stick here with you or go out and lead them.'"[202]

- Here is how Long himself explained his program:[203]

> According to the tables which we have assembled, it is our estimate, that four percent of the American people own 85 percent of the wealth of America. And that over 70% of the people of America don't own enough to pay the debts that they owe. How many men ever went to a barbecue and would let one man take off the table what's intended for 9/10th of the people to eat? The only way to be able to feed the balance of the people is to make that man come back and bring

> back some of that grub that he ain't got no business with! Now we got a barbecue. We have been praying to the Almighty to send us to a feast. We have knelt on our knees morning and nighttime. The Lord has answered the prayer. He has called the barbecue. "Come to my feast," He said to 125 million American people. But Morgan and Rockefeller and Mellon and Baruch have walked up and took 85 percent of the victuals off the table! Now, how are you going to feed the balance of the people? What's Morgan and Baruch and Rockefeller and Mellon going to do with all that grub? They can't eat it, they can't wear the clothes, they can't live in the houses. Giv'em a yacht! Giv'em a Palace! Send 'em to Reno and give them a new wife when they want it, if that's what they want. But when they've got everything on God's loving earth that they can eat and they can wear and they can live in, and all that their children can live in and wear and eat, and all of their children's children can use, then we've got to call Mr Morgan and Mr Mellon and Mr Rockefeller back and say, come back here, put that stuff back on this table here that you took away from here that you don't need. Leave something else for the American people to consume. And that's the program.

- By 1935, Long's Share Our Wealth society had over *7.5 million members* in 27,000 clubs across the country.[204]

- As governor of Louisiana (1928-1932), "Long inherited a dysfunctional system of government tainted by influence peddling. Corporations often wrote the laws governing their practices and rewarded part-time legislators and other officials with jobs and bribes.... Once his control over the state's political apparatus was strengthened, Long pushed a number of bills through the 1928 session of the Louisiana State Legislature fulfilling some of his campaign promises, including a free textbook program for schoolchildren … night courses for adult literacy and a supply of cheap natural gas for the city of New Orleans. Long began an unprecedented building program of roads, bridges, hospitals and educational institutions.... By delivering on his campaign promises, Long achieved hero status among the state's majority rural poor population."[205]

- "As the political boss of the state, he commanded wide networks of supporters and was willing to take forceful action."[206]

- Like other social reformers trying to curb the power of oligarchs, Long was "hated by big business, hated by the 1 percent, hated by Wall Street."[207]

- "Wouldn't you like the chance to vote for someone who was willing to take them all on; someone who'd promise to re-regulate the system and tax the hell out of every billionaire fatcat in America? Wouldn't you indeed vote for someone brave enough to fight the Rockefellers — and temporarily defeat them?"[208]

- Long was one of the few politicians in American history who dared see that the only way to fight the oligarchs was to give them a bit of their own extra-legal medicine.

- The Chaco War (1932-1935) between Paraguay and Bolivia involved the deaths of about 100,000 people — close to 3% of the entire population of either country, and tremendous suffering.

> In a speech on the Senate floor on 30 May 1934, Long claimed the war was the work of "the forces of imperialistic finance", and maintained that Paraguay was the rightful owner of the Chaco, but that Standard Oil [i.e., Rockefeller], which Long called "promoter of revolutions in Central America, South America and Mexico" had "bought" the Bolivian government and started the war because Paraguay had been unwilling to grant it oil concessions… In a speech about the war on the Senate floor on 7 June 1934 [he] called Standard Oil "domestic murder[ers]," "foreign murder[re]s", "international conspirators" and "rapacious thieves and robbers". As a result, Long became a national hero in Paraguay.[209]

- Long said that "American involvement in the Spanish-American War and the First World War had been deadly mistakes conducted on behalf of Wall Street. Consequently, Long demanded the immediate independence of the Philippines, which the United States had occupied since 1898."[210]

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- The Rockefellers orchestrated impeachments proceedings, bribing and cajoling both chambers of the Louisiana legislature, but Long outmaneuvered them.

- Following the Rockefellers' failed impeachment attempt, Long received death threats and had to surround himself with armed guards.[211]

- FDR, fearing a principled, fearless, opponent and a genuine man of the people, unleashed a variety of federal lapdogs against Long, including the IRS.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Long was shot a month after announcing that he would run for president.

- Shortly before his death, the Rockefellers organized an armed insurrection in Louisiana against the then governor, an ally of Long.

- As the Rockefellers might have foreseen, Long's millions-strong national movement faded after his death.

License to kill?

Despite Long's millions of followers and popularity, no genuine investigation beyond the official explanation of a lone assassin has ever been carried out.

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Allard Lowenstein, 1929-1980 (aged 51).

Relevant positions: One-time congressional Representative from New York, 1969-1971.

Official cause of death: Lone, crazed, assassin.

Grounds for murder?

- He was "a progressive, anti-war, congressman."

- "Lowenstein was one of the most vocal critics of the unwillingness of Los Angeles and Federal authorities to reopen the investigation into the June 6, 1968 assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Lowenstein's one hour appearance on the PBS television show *Firing Line* in 1975 … was one of the first times the American public were shown that many elements of ballistic and forensic evidence were radically at odds with eyewitness testimony and the assumption that Sirhan Sirhan alone had shot Senator Kennedy."[212]

- "Allard K. Lowenstein was the former Director of the National Student Association (NSA) and Democratic Congressman from Nassau County, New York, from 1969 to 1971, who had led the 'Dump Johnson' movement because of Johnson's support for the Vietnam War. Anguished by Kennedy's death, he was able to review Noguchi's autopsy report specifying that Kennedy had been hit from behind by bullets fired at point-blank range. Lowenstein also scrutinized the trial records, searching for testimony that placed Sirhan's gun to the rear and within inches of Bobby, and finding that there was none. Lowenstein followed up by interviewing eyewitnesses who pointed to Sirhan being several feet — rather than inches — removed from Bobby, and to him having been subdued after firing two shots. He found that their stories were consistent with their earlier testimony. The official response to Lowenstein's queries by the LAPD was one of stonewalling, and he realized that a propaganda campaign was being fabricated to deliver information that was the exact opposite of the facts. In March 1980, Lowenstein was shot and killed in his office by a former protégé Dennis Sweeney, who claimed among other crazy things that he had received messages in his head broadcast by a CIA transmitter. After Sweeney shot Lowenstein, Sweeney calmly waited in Lowenstein's office to be arrested. He was deemed

insane and sentenced to a mental hospital. At the time of the shooting, Lowenstein was on the verge of getting a commitment from President Jimmy Carter to reopen the investigation into the Sirhan case if Carter were re-elected to a second term that November. But as writer Robert Vaughn put it: 'Al died, Carter lost to Reagan, and the official veil of silence over the RFK murder has remained intact.'"[213]

- Allard Lowenstein was "the driving force behind Robert Kennedy's election campaign in 1968."[214]

- Shortly before his murder, Lowenstein told Paul Fitzgerald:

  > Get Ted elected and we'll finally bring those CIA sons of bitches that killed Jack and Bobby to justice. Since you're family I can tell you this. We know who did it and people are willing to talk. But we need the presidency to protect them.

- "Lowenstein was well known for his ability to attract energetic young volunteers for his political causes."[215]

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- By 1970, Lowenstein "was gerrymandered out of office."[216]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- By 1992, the convicted assassin was "on 16-hour-a-day furloughs," and by 2000 he was granted "a conditional release from all levels of custody."[217] This pattern of early release of Invisible Government's assassins has a long history, and includes the alleged assassin of Leo Ryan and the would-be assassins of Presidents Jackson and Reagan.

License to kill?

No investigation beyond the official explanation of the lone assassin has ever been carried out.

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Larry P. McDonald, 1935-1983 (aged 48).

Relevant positions: Member from Georgia, House of Representatives, 1975-1983.

Political views. McDonald was the national chairman of the John Birch Society and an admirer of reactionary Senator Joseph McCarthy and fascist Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet.[218]

Official cause of death: Owing to an alleged navigational error, McDonald's airplane was shot down by Soviet interceptors after entering deep into Soviet airspace (268 other people were killed in that crash).[219]

Grounds for murder?

- McDonald advocated a return to the gold standard and an annual audit of America's alleged gold holdings.

- At the time of his death, McDonald was considering a run for president of the United States.

- In 1975, McDonald took the Invisible Government to task directly: "The drive of the Rockefellers and their allies is to create a one-world government combining super-capitalism and Communism under the same tent, all under their control.... Do I mean conspiracy? Yes I do. I am convinced there is such a plot, international in scope, generations old in planning, and incredibly evil in intent."[220]

- In 1980, he called for a comprehensive congressional investigation of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Trilateral Commission (David Rockefeller's creations — mid-level minions of the Invisible Government of the USA).[221]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Senator Jesse Helms and Representative Carroll Hubbard "planned to meet with McDonald to discuss how to join McDonald on the KAL 007 flight.... Hubbard at the last minute gave up on the trip … while Helms attempted to join McDonald but was also delayed.[222] [Such last-minute cancellations and "miraculous survivals are common occurrence in the political assassination literature; see for instance, the sinking of the *Titanic* — of all the really powerful people scheduled for that voyage, only the three opponents of the creation of the Federal Reserve actually set sail on the *Titanic* and died.[223] The same set of coincidences would repeat itself with the *Lusitania*. For instance, "Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt … missed

the *Titanic* in 1912 but unfortunately not the *Lusitania* in 1915, despite receiving a mysterious telegram telling him the ship was doomed.[224]] Instead of traveling together … Helms and McDonald arrived in Anchorage, Alaska — the first stop of the journey to South Korea — on separate planes. The fact that McDonald was the only person in the 36-member American delegation to fly alone seems strange. After refueling, the Boeing 747 carrying Helms arrived at its destination safely. But McDonald — and his fellow passengers on Flight 007 — were not so fortunate."[225]

- "McDonald's widow claims that her husband … was 'murdered.' She holds that it was no accident that 'the leading anti-Communist in the American government' had been on a plane that was 'forced into Soviet territory' and shot down."

- The Korean airplane carrying McDonald violated Soviet airspace for 2.5 hours and "ventured as far as 226 miles inside Soviet airspace."

- "Five days after the 007 incident former CIA spy Ralph McGehee told a college audience that the Korean airliner was indeed on a spy mission. He also believes that the Russians thought 007 was an RC-135 intelligence plane."

- "Who really gained by Flight 007's violation of Soviet territory? Not the Soviets. They were preparing for the following week's meeting in Madrid, Spain, between U.S. Secretary of State George Schultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, as well as the resumption of arms-reduction talks and the annual United Nations meeting. An incident of any kind would — and did — set world opinion against them at a critical time. On the other hand, the U.S. government benefited first by gathering valuable military information about Soviet radar and defensive capabilities during the hours that preceded the crash. Later benefits … included favorable MX-missile and binary-nerve-gas votes from a knee-jerk Congress." Likewise, the Military-Industrial Complex ripped enormous benefits.

- According to news reports, the pilot of McDonald's last flight had "boasted to close friends that he was carrying out special tasks of American intelligence."[226]

License to kill?

No investigation of foul play by the American government has ever been carried out.

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Louis McFadden, 1876-1936 (aged 60)**.**

Relevant positions: House Representative from Pennsylvania, 1915-1935; Chair, House Committee on Banking and Currency, 1920-1931.

Official cause of death: "Heart-failure sudden-death, following a "dose" of "intestinal flu."[227]

Probable real cause of death: Poisoning.

Grounds for murder?

- McFadden was an articulate enemy of the Federal Reserve Syndicate, rightly accusing it among other things of deliberately causing the Great Depression.[228] He tried to bring conspiracy charges against its Board of Governors.

- He courageously characterized the armed attack on the Bonus Army[229] as "the greatest crime in modern history," following this up with an attempt to impeach President Hoover.[230] (Highly-decorated Smedley Butler likewise sided with the starving veterans, and died at age 58. On the other hand and as is almost always the case, MacArthur, Patton, and Eisenhower were amply rewarded for betraying their own veterans.)

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According to *Time* magazine McFadden was "denounced and condemned by all Republicans for his 'contemptible gesture.'" The Central Press Association reported that he was "virtually read out of his party … [had] his committee posts … taken away from him … was ostracized by Republicans [and] called crazy … Senator David A. Reed (R-PA) said: "We intend to act to all practical purposes as though McFadden had died."[231] (Cross-reference: Jim Traficant was similarly boycotted by his colleagues.)

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

McFadden survived two earlier murder attempts. "The first attack came in the form of two revolver shots fired at him from ambush as he was alighting from a cab in front of one of the Capital hotels. Fortunately both shots missed him, the bullets burying themselves in the structure of the cab." Next, "he became violently ill after partaking of food at a political banquet at Washington. His life was only saved from what was subsequently announced as a poisoning by the presence of a physician friend at the banquet, who at once procured a stomach pump and subjected the congressman to emergency treatment."[232]

License to kill?

Despite McFadden's influential position, and despite two previous attempts on his life, no investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

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Leo Ryan, 1925-1978 (aged 53).

Relevant positions: Congressional Representative from California, 1973-1978.

Official cause of death: Murdered, near Jonestown, Guyana, in a coordinated, highly professional, attack[233] (more than 900 other people died after that attack).

Grounds for murder?

- "Leo Ryan's murder is seen by many as being much more sinister than the hysterical behavior of a madman. Leo Ryan had been a strong critic of the CIA and was the author of the Hughes-Ryan Amendment, which, if passed, would have required that the CIA report to Congress on all of its covert operations before they commenced. Soon after Ryan's death, the Hughes-Ryan Amendment was quashed in Congress. The question conspiracy theorists ask is whether Ryan was killed in order to reach this objective and the massacre at 'Jonestown' merely a smoke screen to distract attention away from Ryan's murder."[234]

- Ryan stated that "leaking a state secret was an appropriate way for a member of Congress to block an 'ill-conceived operation.'"[235]

- "Both Leo Ryan and Jim Jones were C.I.A. nemeses — what better than to kill one and frame it on the other?"[236]

- "Jim Jones wanted a revolution for the inner cities (albeit non-violent). He wanted a revolution for America. He was considered "a dangerous man with a dangerous cause."

- The Jonestown people "felt so besieged that they were actively planning re-relocation to the then-Soviet Union during the Cold War — a move planned in tandem with the Soviet Embassy, but obviously of grave concern to the American one!"

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- An earlier attempt to stab Ryan during his visit to Jonestown failed.[237]

- Ryan's Congressional delegation "stayed at a local hotel where, despite confirmed reservations, most of the rooms had been canceled and reassigned, leaving the delegation sleeping in the lobby."[238]

- In her congressional testimony, Laurie Efrain Kahalas, a long-time member of Jim Jones' People's Temple, said: "I was with a military veteran when I viewed the [assassination] film clip, who identified for me the standard U.S. Army military formation by which the attackers approached their victims at the Port Kaituma airstrip. He made it very clear to me that this was not something which could spontaneously be done by amateurs."[239]

- The congressional committee investigating the murder "formally requested the untelevised footage which the Justice Department refused to supply on the grounds that 'secrecy provisions' of Rule 6 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure limit the extent of information and evidence that may be disclosed at this time."

- Only one man was "tried in the United States for criminal acts relating to the murders at Jonestown," and this man was inexplicably released "after spending eighteen years in prison."[240] (Cross-reference: The same perplexing leniency is also observed in the case of the would-be assassins of presidents Jackson and Reagan and the alleged assassin of Allard Lowenstein).

- "All the details one would expect from such a catastrophe, like forensics, autopsies, eyewitness identifications, and surviving documentation in the form of tapes, letters, and films, were omitted, botched, distorted or destroyed. The public was given commentary rather than source material, editorials rather than evidence."[241]

- It was reiterated again and again on the final tape made at Jonestown that Jim Jones not only did not 'order; the killings,' but he had no idea who had fired the shots!"

- "Every normal protocol for disaster relief was massively violated."

- "The Congressional committee also adamantly refused to blow the [original assassination] film up so as to properly identify (or rule out "identifications" of) the assassins."

- In a puzzling move, Howard Hughes, the co-sponsor of the Hughes-Ryan Act and a popular senator from 1969 to 1975, decided not to seek re-election to the Senate.

License to kill?

No thorough investigation of government involvement in Ryan's murder has ever been carried out.

Cross references to CIA in this encyclopedia to overseas assassination and harassment attempts: Paul Wellstone, Jonathan Moyle, Anson Ng, Malcolm X, Malcolm Shabazz, Phil Ochs.

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John Tower, 1925-1991 (aged 65)**.**

Relevant positions: Senator (1961-1985); Chair, Senate Armed Services Committee, 1981-1985; Chair, Tower Commission in charge of investigating the Iran-Contra Affair (1986-1987); Chair, President's Intelligence Advisory Board (1990-1991).

Official cause of death: Airplane crash (22 other people died in that crash).

Grounds for murder?

- As we have seen,[242] "Senators John Heinz and John Tower had served on powerful Senate Banking and Finance Committee and were outspoken critics of the Federal Reserve. On April 4, 1991, Senator John Heinz was killed in a plane crash near Philadelphia. The next day, April 5, 1991, Senator John Tower was also killed in a plane crash. Did the bankers kill Heinz and Tower? I'm guessing, no. It's much more likely they were killed because they both had knowledge about George H. W. Bush's intimate involvement in the Iran-Contra-Cocaine triangle. And yes, I did say cocaine… The C.I.A. flew tons of cocaine into the USA." President George H. W. Bush said: "If the American people ever find out what we have done, they will chase us down the street and lynch us."

- Wayne Madsen agrees: "Pennsylvania Senator John Heinz III, a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence that investigated Iran-Contra and one of Tower's supporters in the confirmation vote for Secretary of Defense, was angering "Bush and his sycophants at the CIA."[243]

- While he was the powerful chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee from 1981 to 1984, Tower opposed the military-industrial complex's lucrative, risky, provocative, will-o'-the-wisp miscalled "Strategic Defense Initiative."[244]

- Wayne Madsen adds:

> Although they were both Republican politicians from Texas, Senator John Tower and President George H. W. Bush became bitter rivals. Documents discovered in the Central Intelligence Agency's archives point to Bush and his allies within the CIA being upset with Tower over his findings as the chairman of the Tower Commission, named to investigate the culprits behind the Iran-contra scandal. In November 1986, President Reagan named Tower, who had declined to run for re-

election in 1986, to chair the "President's Special Review Board" on the actions of the National Security Council and its staff during the Iran-Contra affair. The Tower Commission, as it was known, discovered, as did Special Prosecutor Lawrence Walsh, that Vice President George Bush was a central figure in the scandal. Bush ensured he had his own plant installed on the Tower Commission, former National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft, who would hold the same office in the George H. W. Bush presidency.... Information gleaned by Tower may have also resulted in his and his daughter's 1991 death in an airplane crash in Georgia."[245]

Tower and his daughter [also killed in the crash], who had just cooperated in the publishing of Tower's memoir, were collaborating on a second "tell-all" book about Iran-Contra that was reportedly going to "name names" and Bush's name would have been prominently mentioned.[246]

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- In a "stunning move," in 1989 the Senate rejected Tower's nomination as Secretary of Defense.[247] "It later became known that it was Bush, who, via articles and statements by the vitriolic conservative rabble-rouser Paul Weyrich, leaked rumors of Tower's 'womanizing' and problems with alcohol in order to publicly humiliate Tower. The bad press resulted in Tower's embarrassing rejection by the Senate. In other words, Bush set Tower up for a very public fall. It was retaliation for Tower's probing of Bush's central involvement in Iran-Contra."[248]

License to kill?

No investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

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Jim Traficant, 1941-2014 (aged 73).

Yes, as through this world I've wandered
I've seen lots of funny men;
Some will rob you with a six-gun,
And some with a fountain pen.

And as through your life you travel,
Yes, as through your life you roam,
You won't never see an outlaw
Drive a family from their home. — Woodie Guthrie

Relevant positions: Elected sheriff, Mahoning County, Ohio, 1981-1985; Representative from Ohio, 1985-2002.

Official cause of death: Tractor accident in the early morning, when he was alone.

Grounds for murder?

- "Elected sheriff for three counties in Northeastern Ohio from 1981 to 1985, he soon gave the public proof of his mettle. Three times he went to prison for 'contempt of court.' The contempt? His refusal to evict three families from their respective homes, whose breadwinner had lost his job after industrial production had been moved to the Orient."[249]

- He frontally challenged the Zionist lobby.[250]

- "Traficant began a grassroots campaign in July 2014, 'Project Freedom USA,' to, among other things, put people pressure on Congress to get rid of the IRS and 'divorce' the Federal Reserve."[251]

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- Accusations of corruption: "Traficant, without lawyers and only relying on his evidence and innocence, was totally exonerated and absolved. This was an event without precedent in the history of the Judicial Department of the USA."[252]

- Because he voted his conscience and not along party lines, "Traficant became the first member of the House of Representatives in over a century — outside the top leadership — to lack a single committee assignment."[253] (As we have seen, Louis McFadden was similarly boycotted by his colleagues.)

- Traficant was expelled from Congress on bogus charges, with a remarkable vote of the House of 420 for and 1 (Gary Condit) against.[254] He served 7.5 years in prison, which included exposure to violence from inmates and a prolonged confinement in an isolation cell. "There is evidence … they wanted him dead in prison."[255]

- Of some 120,000 libraries in the USA, only 2 carry his book.[256]

License to kill?

No independent (of the murderers) investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

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Paul Wellstone, 1944-2002 (aged 58).

Relevant positions: Senator from Minnesota (1991-2002).

Official cause of death: Airplane crash (his wife, daughter, and five others died in that crash).[257]

Grounds for murder?

- Wellstone's entire public record suggests that he was a principled idealist — the kind the Invisible Government especially abhors because they cannot be bought or intimidated. For example, "he founded the Organization for a Better Rice County, a group consisting mainly of single parents on welfare. The organization advocated for public housing, affordable health care, improved public education, free school lunches, and a publicly funded day care center. In 1978, he published his first book, *How the Rural Poor Got Power: Narrative of a Grassroots Organizer*, chronicling his work with the organization." He also walked the picket line in support of striking workers, and narrowly missed being fired from his university position because of his activism.

- He sought[258] to limit, to a very small extent, a key supporting pillar of the Invisible Government: Sunshine bribery (miscalled "campaign financing, revolving doors, and the lucrative publishing and lecture circuits").[259]

- He opposed the first Iraq Genocide (1991) and "in 2002, he was the only Senator facing reelection to vote against the congressional authorization for the war in Iraq"[260] (which was again based on a shameful tissue of lies).

- He angered the Federal Reserve Syndicate and the Invisible Government by being "one of only eight members of the Senate to vote against the repeal of the Glass-Steagall Act in

1999."[261] (an Act that aimed at preventing a repeat of the Great Depression). Wellstone dared to say: "I'm for the little fellers, not the Rockefellers."[262]

- "No senator had a more consistent record of voting against Bush administration proposals in 2001. Wellstone voted against the Homeland Security Act and many of Bush's judicial nominees. He pushed for stronger environmental programs, for genuine measures to counter corporate fraud, and for investigations into Sept. 11 and $350 million that was missing from the Bureau of Indian Affairs."[263]

- Jim Fetzer (himself a Minnesotan) wrote: "The situation was serious. To the White House, this guy was a menace. He might have filibustered the Homeland Security Act. He opposed them on tax cuts, the SEC, and the war on Iraq. He wanted to investigate 9/11! In the Senate, he had become an obstacle to the exercise of power."[264]

- Wellstone was arrested once for protesting against the Vietnam War and once when protesting against foreclosures.[265]

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- His FBI file goes back to 1970.[266]

- He received many death threats after taking office.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "An aide to his Republican opponent, Norm Coleman, said, "There are people in the [George W. Bush] White House who wake up in the morning thinking about how they will defeat Paul Wellstone. This one is political and personal for them."[267]

- Drs. Jacobs and Fetzer investigated in great detail the circumstances of Wellstone's death, and concluded that he was indeed assassinated. For instance, an FBI recovery team headed out to investigate the crash of Wellstone's plane *before* the crash happened.[268]

- Days before the assassination of Wellstone, assassination aficionado Dick Cheney gave Wellstone a last warning: "If you vote against the war in Iraq, the Bush administration will do whatever is necessary to get you. There will be severe ramifications for you and the state of Minnesota."[269]

- Since Dick Cheney, Vice President of the USA, was at the time running "an executive assassination ring,"[270] and since Cheney is on record threatening Wellstone, isn't it reasonable to suspect that Cheney had Wellstone murdered?

- Wellstone died just 11 days before his likely (according to polls) re-election in a crucial race to maintain Democratic control of the Senate.[271]

- "Wellstone was the target of an apparent assassination plot before. In 2000, as he visited Colombia [an American protectorate] to survey conditions there, a bomb was found along his route from the airport. He was also sprayed with the herbicide glyphosate by a helicopter above him while watching the Colombian police demonstrate its fumigation of coca plants."[272]

- One anonymous Representative (Democrat) said:, "I don't think there's anyone on the Hill who doesn't suspect [murder]. It's too convenient, too coincidental, too damned obvious. My guess is that some of the less courageous members of the party are thinking about becoming Republicans right now."[273]

- As we have seen, professor Michael I. Niman and many others *predicted* Wellstone's murder.

- Once more the fox was guarding the chicken coop: The head of the investigation into Wellstone's death, Carol Carmody, was a former employee of … the CIA.[274] (This pattern has been repeated countless times in cover-up investigations of government crimes. For instance, the CIA's longest serving director, Allen Dulles, was one of the seven members of the Warren Commission. Another member of that commission was a Rockefeller man. And, in case you are wondering how an obscure Representative from Michigan became the president of the USA, the answer is simple: Gerald Ford was rewarded for siding with Dulles, not with the truth. Let's put it this way: Do you really believe Lyndon Johnson would establish a truth commission that would proceed to implicate Lyndon Johnson in the assassination of Kennedy?)

License to kill?

A whitewash investigation of dubious value took place, not even whispering about possible Cheney/FBI/CIA possible culpability.

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- "In [the book] *American Assassination*, two Ph.D. professors, James Fetzer and Don 'Four Arrows' Jacobs, prove that the weather did not kill Senator Wellstone, his wife and child, on that morning in October. Nor were the two pilots incompetent, as per the later claims of

the bumbling National Transportation Safety Board. With a scientific investigation, logical analysis, and a ruthless dismantling of the official story, *American Assassination* confirms the worst fears of a nation: Senator Paul Wellstone was murdered."[275]

- A documentary concludes: "In looking into this story, we see how honest cops are frozen out, witnesses are intimidated into silence and the public is fearful of thinking such terrible thoughts about its own government."[276]

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CHAPTER 3: JOURNALISTS

I'd enjoyed such smooth sailing [not] because I was careful and diligent and good at my job … The truth was that, in all those years, I hadn't written anything important enough to suppress. — Gary Webb

Danny Casolaro, 1947-1991 (aged 44).

Relevant positions: Freelance investigative reporter.

Official cause of death: Suicide. Found in a bathtub in a hotel room in Martinsburg, West Virginia, naked with slashed wrists.

Background information

When he died in West Virginia in August of 1991, Casolaro was reportedly investigating a mega-conspiracy of the "Octopus" (=Invisible Government). His pursuit started with information related to a lawsuit filed by Inslaw, a computer software company, against the Justice Department. In 1983, Inslaw accused the Justice Department of stealing a program the company had designed to track criminal cases. In 1988, a federal judge ruled in favor of Inslaw, claiming that the Justice Department's theft of the software involved "trickery, fraud, and deceit." The department appealed, and lost again. It appealed again, and naturally won.

Michael Riconosciuto, a computer crackerjack, submitted a written affidavit to the court, supporting Inslaw. The affidavit stated the contested software contained a hidden back door he himself was asked to install and which enabled illegal tracking of the software's domestic and foreign users.[277] Later, the head of Inslaw gave Riconosciuto's detailed affidavit to Casolaro, leading Casolaro to launch the investigation into a network of government-sponsored corruption that would eventually cost him his life.

Grounds for murder?

- Casolaro's proposed project, *The Octopus,* according to the FBI, "was supposed to be a catch-all book to tie in all the political scandals of the 1980s."[278]

- One specific target of the Octopus project was G. H. W. Bush partially because of his many illegal actions, and partly because "the Bush family fortune was secured in large part through the rise of Hitler, through his father's Union Banking Corporation, which acted as a front for the Nazis."[279]

- Casolaro was looking into a connection between the Inslaw litigation and the Bank of Credit and Commerce International (BCCI). BCCI was transformed by associates of then CIA director G. H. W. Bush, "into a world-wide money-laundering machine, buying banks around the world to create the biggest clandestine money network in history." This bank also controlled and manipulated criminals and terrorists worldwide. BCCI tapped "into the CIA stockpile of misfits and malcontents to help man a 1,500-strong group of assassins and enforcers."[280]

- Dr. Anthony Casolaro (Danny's brother) "told reporters he believed his brother may have been close to uncovering a major conspiracy in connection with the Inslaw case."[281]

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Casolaro had frequently received harassing and threatening phone calls. After he left for his last appointment, his housekeeper received five threatening calls in a 24-hour period, (e.g., "I will cut his body and throw it to the sharks."[282])

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Casolaro's family believes he was murdered.[283]

- He told his brother, Dr. Anthony Casolaro, that if anything happened to him, "it would not be an accident."[284]

- His family members knew something that the assassins might not have known: Danny was extremely squeamish about blood. "His brother thinks he would have passed out after one cut, let alone a dozen."[285] Even if he chose to kill himself, it is inconceivable, say some relatives, that he would have done so by cutting his wrists a dozen times.[286]

- "A number of law-enforcement officials also argued that his death deserved further scrutiny."[287]

- As Casolaro's funeral drew to a close, "a highly decorated military officer in U.S. Army dress reportedly arrived in a limousine. Accompanied by another man in plain clothes, the military man approached the coffin just before it was lowered into the ground, laid a medal on the lid, and saluted. No one recognized either man and, to this day, they have never been identified."

- One of Casolaro's chief sources, Michael Riconosciuto, was arrested in early 1990, 8 days after filing an affidavit before a House judiciary committee investigating the Inslaw case.[288]

- One judge who dared side "with Inslaw and accused the Justice Department of 'trickery, fraud, and deceit,' lost his job."[289]

- The day before he died, Casolaro met with a source. But the stack of documents given to him by that person, as well as Casolaro's tape deck and a briefcase containing a draft copy of his book, which he always carried with him, have never been found.[290]

- "For reasons unknown, Casolaro's family wasn't notified of his death until two days after his body was discovered. And by that time, his body had already been embalmed illegally" — without family consent or a proper autopsy.[291]

- Almost immediately after Casolaro's death, the hotel where he was murdered "brought in an industrial cleaning company to sanitize the room, thereby greatly diminishing any opportunity for an independent forensic investigation."[292]

- Also unexplained is a half-empty bottle of red wine and a broken wine glass that police found next to the bathtub, and an empty can of beer found inside the tub. No alcohol was found in Casolaro's bloodstream.[293]

- The key point about the death of Casolaro, says former Attorney General Elliot Richardson, who was representing Inslaw, "is that although others were seeking to delineate … the 'octopus,' he was the only one who told people who have no reason to misrepresent what he said that he had hard evidence, and was on the point of getting conclusive evidence.... The idea that he committed suicide with a razor blade under these circumstances seems highly implausible."[294]

- Journalist Vince Bielski said that the "public needs to know that reporters have been killed because of their work."[295]

- "What survived of Casolaro's research fell into the hands of two writers, Kenn Thomas and Jim Keith," who published their research in 1996 (*The Octopus: Secret Government and the Death of Danny Casolaro*). "In 1999, co-author Keith died, like Casolaro, under mysterious circumstances."[296]

- "Paul Wilcher – Attorney investigating corruption at Mena Airport with Casolaro … was found dead on a toilet June 22, 1993, in his Washington DC apartment."[297]

- Casolaro's "death has often been connected to the death of Alan Standorf, who had been one of his sources. Like Casolaro's, Standorf's death is suspicious for a number of reasons."[298]

- Casolaro investigated BCCI, a bank connected to the Invisible Government and the Bush clan, a bank which, as we have seen, according to a mainstream publication (*Los Angeles Times*), "maintained a 1,500-member 'black network' that used bribery, extortion, kidnapping, and murder to further the bank's goals."[299]

- A letter written less than 3 weeks before his death puts another question mark on suicide allegations. Danny wrote: "I feel the happiness that an Eskimo must feel when he comes across fresh bear tracks before any other sled."[300]

- It took the FBI 6 years to release a redacted version of their investigation of the case. This in turn raises questions: Why 6 years? Why don't they release the entire file: Isn't the USA a democracy? Don't the people have the right to know the truth? But even this partial information raises a few more questions: "First, the FBI's sources contradicted what the DOJ would declare were the motives behind Casolaro's 'suicide.'" Second, the file shows that the Bureau lied to members of Congress about not investigating Casolaro's death. Third, documents show that the FBI agents who *did* investigate it questioned the conclusion of suicide, "even though doing so was understood to be a threat to their careers."[301] Fourth, why does telling the truth pose a threat to anyone's career?

- "Collectively, released FBI documents undermine the official narrative of Danny Casolaro's death and the DOJ's conclusions. Not only did the Bureau lie to Congress, but they dropped leads and may well have interfered in their own investigation. This, combined with the DOJ's decision to ignore the changing alibi of the main suspect in Casolaro's death, and the FBI's sources contradicting what the DOJ said was the motive behind the alleged suicide, casts significant doubt on the Bureau."[302]

- Casolaro's murder resembles the death of Anson Ng, another journalist investigating BCCI (see cross-reference below and the "Anson Ng" entry, this encyclopedia).

License to kill?

No real effort has been made of going beyond the improbable suicide hypothesis.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to bathtub deaths: Matt Simmons, Jim Morrison.

Cross references in this encyclopedia to theft of documents: Jim Garrison, Anson Ng, Philip Marshall, Pat Tillman.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to influential opponents of bankers: Rod Blagojevich, Jerome Daly, Martin Mahoney, Bill Drexler, Bronson Cutting, John Heinz, John Tower, Charles August Lindbergh Sr., Huey Long, Larry P. McDonald, Louis McFadden, Jim Traficant, Paul Wellstone, Walter Liggett, Anson Ng, David Graham Phillips, Mark Pittman, Tracy Lawrence, Aaron Russo.

Cross-reference in this encyclopedia to a strikingly similar case

Like Casolaro,

- Anson Ng was working on a big story related to BCCI.
- Ng died in 1991, a month before Casolaro.
- Ng's body was found in a bathroom.
- Ng's documents vanished.

Further reading: Thomas, Kenn, & Keith, Jim, 2004, *The Octopus*.

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Bill (Milton William) Cooper, 1943-2001 (aged 58).

Relevant positions: Author; documentary filmmaker; host of the worldwide popular shortwave radio show, *Hour of the Time*.[303]

Official cause of death: "On November 6, 2001, two months after September 11, William Cooper was fatally shot by a large collection of Arizona deputies who were attempting to serve him an arrest warrant. According to police accounts, Cooper, who was physically disabled, fled officers and pulled out a weapon. A gun fight ensued and William Cooper was killed. A deputy was [allegedly] critically injured in the incident."[304]

Grounds for murder?

- A White House memo named Cooper "the most dangerous radio host in America."[305]
- "Cooper brought suit against the IRS in Federal District Court in Phoenix Arizona to force the IRS to produce proof of jurisdiction and delegation of authority which the IRS was unable to do."

- He accused the government of murdering President Kennedy.[306]

- "In June 2001, three months before 9/11, William Cooper warned publicly about an important terrorist attack on the United States that would be blamed on Osama Bin Laden. During his June 28 broadcast, William Cooper said 'I'm telling you be prepared for a major attack. But it won't be Osama Bin Laden. It will be those behind the New World Order.' On 9/11 Cooper presciently said 'what we're witnessing today is most probably … the redefinition of freedom, and probably its death.'"

- "After the tragic events of September 11 unfolded, Cooper's radio show attempted to expose the massive conspiracy that led to the attacks. He pointed his finger at the Federal Government, accusing the authorities of planning the terrorist move and duping America's citizens and the rest of the world into believing a fabricated story. This allowed them to sway public opinion in their favor and execute their plan."307

- "William Cooper was murdered almost two months after 9/11 … He was live on shortwave radio all day long on 9/11, and was blowing holes in the official story as it was emerging."[308]

- The Associated Press published an article the day after his death labeling Cooper a "national leader of the militia movement."[309]

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- "Frequently, people called into his show … complaining that the *Voice of America* was jamming the station."[310]

- Cooper was charged with tax evasion and, years later, bank fraud.[311]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government:

- "In March of 1999, Cooper sent his family out of the United States for their security. He lived and worked alone with his two dogs, one rooster, and one chicken."[312]

License to kill?

No government official has ever attempted to go beyond the initial, implausible, government version of Cooper's death.

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Michael Hastings, 1980-2013 (aged 33): See Chapter 1.

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Ernest Hemingway, 1999-1961 (aged 61): See Chapter 4.

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Walter Liggett, 1886-1935 (aged 49).

Note: The evidence in this case is more consistent with the view that the Invisible Government condoned the murder than with the view that it directly planned it.

Relevant positions: Newspaper editor; investigating reporter.

Official cause of death: Drive-by shooting outside his apartment.

Grounds for murder?

- Liggett "railed against vice and big banks."[313]

- During the 1930s, Liggett "specialized in exposés of Minneapolis and Saint Paul organized crime and their connections to corrupt politicians."[314]

- Like Representative Lindbergh (see Lindbergh entry), Liggett was an enthusiastic supporter of the Farmer-Labor Party (but which, owing to Lindbergh's death, was taken over by the corrupt Floyd Olson).

- "Liggett campaigned with U.S. Representative Charles August Lindbergh Sr. against United States involvement in the First World War and was active in efforts to free [the framed] Sacco and Vanzetti."

- "In 1929-1930, he vaulted to national prominence with a series of articles … which described the corruption wrought by [Rockefeller's] Prohibition on American cities."

- "He made accusations of corruption against Minnesota Governor Floyd B. Olson and said that Olson deserved to be impeached and prosecuted."

- "Walter Liggett was a pioneering muckraker, a journalist who lived — and died — pursuing the biggest story of his generation: the collision of money, power, crime, democracy, and freedom in the United States during the Great Depression."[315]

Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill

- After refusing bribes from Mafia boss Isadore Blumenfeld (aka "Kid Cann"), Liggett was severely beaten by Blumenfeld and his associates — but the police and courts were not interested in arresting or pressing charges against Blumenfeld.

- Soon after, Liggett was arrested and prosecuted on phony kidnapping and sodomy charges, but was acquitted after evidence of perjury by the alleged victims came to light.[316] "The case featured obviously coached witnesses, contradictory testimony, and implausible circumstances."[317]

- A Blumenfeld associate threatened Liggett's life.

- "Herbert Hoover misused the executive powers of his office and employed the Office of Naval Intelligence and other federal agencies to harass a group of authors, including distinguished muckraker Walter Liggett, who were preparing anti-Hoover biographies."

- Hoover had been doing everything possible to discredit Liggett.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Liggett filed a libel suit against Herbert Corey, a man tasked by the Hoover campaign to clear Hoover from allegations of corruption made by Liggett and others. But the case never "reached court — Liggett was murdered in a gang-land killing in Minneapolis in 1935."

- Liggett's wife and three other witnesses testified that Liggett was shot by Blumenfeld. "Despite this and considerable other evidence, Blumenfeld was acquitted. No one else was ever charged and Blumenfeld remained a major organized crime figure until dying of heart disease in 1981."[318]

- Liggett's wife believed that the governor was behind the killing and knew ahead of time that the murderer would be acquitted.

- "A couple of months before he was gunned down in the south Minneapolis alley behind his apartment, Liggett had predicted his own death."[319]

- In 1935, Governor Floyd Olson's machine probably shotgunned to death the "unshakable one-man newspaper crusade Howard Guilford, a man the Olson regime had previously indicted 19 times on phony charges, only to see him acquitted each time."[320]

License to kill?

No genuine investigation of the case has ever been carried out.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to challengers of the banking scam: Rod Blagojevich, Jerome Daly, Martin Mahoney, Bill Drexler, Bronson Cutting, John Heinz, John Tower, Charles August Lindbergh Sr., Huey Long, Larry P. McDonald, Louis McFadden, Jim Traficant, Paul Wellstone, Danny Casolaro, Anson Ng, David Graham Phillips, Mark Pittman, Tracy Lawrence, Aaron Russo.

Rockefeller cross-references in this encyclopedia: Arthur Caron, Huey Long, Larry McDonald, David Graham Phillips, Aaron Russo, Paul Wellstone.

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Jonathan Moyle, 1963(?)-1991 (aged 28).

Relevant positions: A former Royal Air Force helicopter pilot; UK defense magazine editor and reporter. "In March 1990, Moyle attended the Chilean Arms Fair in his capacity as editor of *Helicopter Defence World.*"[321]

Official cause of death: The UK government first ascribed his death to suicide, alleging that he was found hanging in the closet of his hotel room, with a pillowcase over his head. Later, the British Secret Services and their government circulated a rumor that "Moyle's death was not an assassination but a self-inflicted consequence of a sado-masochistic sexual act." Only years later, under pressure from Moyle's family, the British government apologized for its conduct and lies, and conceded that it was murder.

Grounds for murder?

Jonathan's father, retired teacher Tony Moyle, said that his son was killed because he uncovered "information regarding arms shipments."[322] Indeed, Britain was secretly re-exporting prohibited weapons to Iraq.[323] The fact that no one has been charged with Jonathan's murder has led to speculation that he intended to make startling revelations." Alongside the British government, there were rumors of President G. H. W. Bush's deal to illegally ship weapons to Iraq."[324]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- As is often the case in assassinations carried out by Anglosphere countries, no one was ever brought to trial over Moyle's murder.

- "Moyle was 5 feet 8 inches tall but the rail in the closet from which he was suspended was only five feet high." Ergo, the charge of suicide was ludicrous. Moreover, "an autopsy revealed sedative in his stomach and a bruise on his leg."[325]

- "A needle mark on his leg and blood on the bed were not considered in the first police analysis."[326]

- The 1990 UK inquest into the death of Moyle was adjourned "after a pathologist said the autopsy could not be completed due to the fact that vital organs had been removed."

- A leaked CIA report blamed the murder of Jonathan Moyle on a British [MI6] agent, the *late* Stephan Adolphus Kock. "Kock found that defence journalist, Jonathan Moyle, possessed evidence of UK covert deals. Consequently, Kock and [name redacted] eliminated him in Santiago, Chile."

- On the night of his death Moyle was seen arguing with a man identified as Raul Monteciros, the public relations officer to the immensely influential Chilean arms dealer Carlos Cardoen, an associate of Mark Thatcher, son of former British Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher.[327]

- Moyle was probably killed by Chilean hitmen hired by arms dealer Carlos Cardoen.[328] "Moyle died as he was about to publish the details of Saddam Hussein's dealings with Mr. Cardoen."[329] "According to a 1995 deposition by Howard Teicher, a Reagan National Security Council official, Cardoen worked with the CIA during the 1980s to illegally ship military hardware, including deadly cluster bombs, to Saddam Hussein's regime during Iraq's devastating war with Iran.... British aviation journalist Jonathan Moyle … had uncovered details of Cardoen's role in the rumored Poppy Bush [President Bush I] deal to illegally ship weapons to Iraq."[330]

License to kill?

From beginning to end, the British government's game can be described with one word: cover-up. The government was not interested in punishing the perpetrators, but in protecting them and smearing the victim.

Cross references in this encyclopedia to CIA overseas assassination and harassment attempts: Leo Ryan, Paul Wellstone, Malcolm X, Malcolm Shabazz, Anson Ng, Phil Ochs.

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Anson Ng, 1948-1991 (aged 43).[331]

Relevant positions: Reporter for the mainstream *Financial Times* of London.[332]

Official cause of death: British journalist Anson Ng was murdered in his apartment in Guatemala City; his body was found in the bathroom.[333]

Grounds for murder?

- Ng "went to Guatemala to see a key witness that was alleged to have important information tying the U.S. Justice Department to the BCCI scandal."[334] (BCCI=*Bank of Credit and Commerce International* — a Bush family / CIA laundering, narcotrafficking, and assassination outfit).

- "According to an official statement of then senator Alan Cranston, Ng 'may have been killed because he was investigating the scandal-ridden Bank of Credit and Commerce International.' Specifically, 'Ng's murder was related to his probe into arms trafficking allegedly carried out by BCCI.'"[335]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "Documents were stolen from Ng's desk."

- Ng's murder resembles the death of Danny Casolaro, another journalist who was investigating BCCI (see cross-reference below and the "Danny Casolaro" entry above).

License to kill?

Despite many clues, no genuine investigation of the case has ever been carried out.

Cross references in this encyclopedia to theft of documents: Danny Casolaro, Jim Garrison, Philip Marshall, Pat Tillman.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to challengers of the banking scam: Rod Blagojevich, Jerome Daly, Martin Mahoney, Bill Drexler, Bronson Cutting, John Heinz, John Tower, Charles August Lindbergh Sr., Huey Long, Larry P. McDonald, Louis McFadden, Jim Traficant, Paul Wellstone, Danny Casolaro, Walter Liggett, David Graham Phillips, Mark Pittman, Tracy Lawrence, Aaron Russo.

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David Graham Phillips, 1867-1911 (aged 43).

Relevant positions: Novelist and influential freelance muckraking journalist.

Official cause of death: Shot by a deranged lone assassin, supposedly because Phillips used the assassin's sister as a model for the heroine in one of Phillips' novels. (Another example of the Invisible Government's propensity to mock its vassals?) Conveniently for the Rockefellers, the assassin is said to have killed himself after shooting Phillips.

Grounds for murder?

- In his celebrated 1906 series, "The Treason of the Senate," Phillips wrote:

> The treason of the Senate! Treason is a strong word, but not too strong, rather too weak, to characterize the situation in which the Senate is the eager, resourceful, indefatigable agent of interests [the Rockefellers] as hostile to the American people as any invading army could be, and vastly more dangerous; interests that manipulate the prosperity produced by all, so that it heaps up riches for the few; interests whose growth and power can only mean the degradation of the people, of the educated into sycophants, of the masses toward serfdom."[336]

- Phillips' articles "helped lead to the passage of the Seventeenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, initiating popular instead of state-legislature election of U.S. senators."[337]

- The most scandal-ridden Senator of them all was Nelson W. Aldrich, the father-in-law of John D. Rockefeller's only son, and Aldrich too lost his Senate seat in 1910, thanks in part to Phillips. For the Rockefellers, this loss of 17 quockerwodgers was a serious setback; just when they and their ilk were hatching the Federal Reserve Syndicate, in whose creation Aldrich was to play a key role. About the unhallowed Aldrich and Rockefeller, Phillips wrote:

> For the organizer of this treason [against the American people] we must look at Nelson W. Aldrich, senior senator from Rhode Island… Before he reached the

> Senate, Aldrich had had fifteen years of training in how to legislate the proceeds of the labor of the many into the pockets of the few.... In 1901 [Aldrich's] daughter married the only son and destined successor of John D. Rockefeller [he is thus the grandfather of the late David Rockefeller and late Vice President Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller]. Thus, the chief exploiter of the American people is closely allied by marriage with the chief schemer in the service of their exploiters. This fact no American should ever lose sight of. It is a political fact, it is an economic fact. It places the final and strongest seal upon the bonds uniting Aldrich and "the interests." … It was not until 1890 that he had an opportunity to make his first large contribution toward the firm establishment of conditions of unequal division of prosperity which have now resulted in expropriating the American people from the ownership of their own country. How Aldrich must laugh as he watches the American people meekly submitting to this plundering through tariff and railway rates and hugely overcapitalized corporations! And what, think you, must be his opinion of the man who in all seriousness attributes the astounding contrasts between the mountainous fortunes of the few and the ant-hill hoardings of the many to the superior intelligence of the few? Yet, Aldrich's contempt for the mentality of the masses is not unjustified, is it? When Aldrich is getting orders, there is of course never any witness. The second part of his task — execution — is in part a matter of whispering with his chief lieutenants, in part a matter of consultation in the secure secrecy of the Senate committee rooms.[338]

Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill

- Phillips reported to the police that he had received many death threats.

- The establishment was incensed with Phillips. Teddy Roosevelt, for instance, fearing that Phillips' articles could embroil his fellow oligarchs in something like the French Revolution, accused Phillips of "downright perversion of truth both in the way of misstatement and of omission."[339]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Witnesses agreed that the alleged lone assassin carried a single six-shooter (a revolver that can only fire six bullets without being reloaded), and that he fired six shots at Phillips. Also, according to people at the scene, immediately after being shot, Phillips quipped that he "could have beaten four bullets, but six were too many." But then, to kill himself on the scene, which is the official version of events, the supposed assassin would need an impossible seventh bullet, since he didn't reload his gun. This suggests, as in so many other subsequent Rockefeller-arranged murders, that more than one killer was involved or that the purported assassin was a patsy.

License to kill?

Despite overwhelming evidence of foul play, no government investigation beyond the lone assassin theory has ever been carried out.

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Rockefeller cross-references in this encyclopedia: Arthur Caron, Walter Liggett, Huey Long, Larry McDonald, Aaron Russo, Paul Wellstone.

Further Reading: Victor, Daniel D., 1992, *The Further Adventures of Sherlock Holmes: The Seventh Bullet*.

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Mark Pittman, 1957-2009 (aged 52).

Relevant positions: Award-winning mainstream journalist.

Official cause of death: Unknown[340] (or a fatal heart attack?[341])

Grounds for murder?

- Many parasitic crooks can withstand hate, but not good-natured, contempt — Pittman's attitude towards the private bankers who control the Federal Reserve Cartel. "What made it so entertaining to talk with him was his irreverence for the financial industry, which was a refreshing contrast to the industry's self-reverence. He didn't have an angry, confrontational 'Speak Truth to Power!' attitude towards the industry; he just saw them as grifters. Mark didn't see much difference between selling AAA-rated bonds backed by subprime mortgages and sending emails claiming to be African royalty in need of help transferring a fortune to a U.S. bank, and he was amused by the financial industry's pretensions that they were making a great contribution to our economy."[342]

- "Mark Pittman proved to be the most *fearless*, most trusted reporter on the most important beat during the 12 years he wrote about credit markets, corporate finance and the Federal Reserve at *Bloomberg News*."[343]

- Pittman said: "Hopefully, we will be able to inform the people enough to know how badly we're getting screwed. We need to know how to prevent it from happening again, and we need to know who did it."[344]

- "Pittman broke a number of major financial stories, including that of how Goldman Sachs, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, Deutsche Bank and others gained from the bailout of AIG [a major American finance and insurance corporation]. He also broke the story about

former Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson's involvement in creating the subprime mortgage crisis when he was CEO of Goldman Sachs."[345]

- Pittman and colleagues showed that the $700 billion transfer of money from the American people to the big banks controlling the American government in 2008 alone actually amounted to $12.8 trillion. They thus showed that American politicians — who were elected thanks to the bankers' money and bankers' news — stole roughly $120,000 from each American household in 2008 alone, giving that money to the Rothschilds, Rockefellers, and their partners in crime.

- Since the Federal Reserve Syndicate (controlled by roughly the same people who were stealing the American people blind) refused to disclose what they were doing with the people's money, Pittman filed a freedom of information request. The request was denied twice. Saying "it's not Ben Bernanke's money, it's *our* money," Pittman then decided to sue the Central Bank in federal court, making headlines as the first person to ever sue the Federal Reserve. A lower court and an appellate court sided with Pittman, but a Court of Appeals naturally sided with the Syndicate (Cross-reference to Court of Appeals as a surefire instrument for the miscarriage of justice: "Danny Casolaro," this encyclopedia.) Conveniently for the Syndicate, by then "Pittman was dead."

- "On Jan. 28, 2009, Pittman filed a FOIA with the U.S. Treasury asking it to identify the $301 billion in securities owned by Citigroup that the government had agreed to guarantee to help shore up the troubled bank and to provide details of any contracts the Treasury had with outside firms hired to calculate the assets' values. Pittman died 10 months later still waiting for a response." Twenty months later, the Treasury Department responded — by deleting everything that could possibly incriminate it or its Citigroup patron.[346]

- Just before his death, Pittman was "working on a major financial exposé."[347]

- Pittman used to sign off his emails with a photo of dissident singer-songwriter Woody Guthrie holding a guitar inscribed with these words: "This machine kills fascists."[348]

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Evidence suggesting that the Invisible Government was not involved

- Maggie Pittman, Mark's daughter, wrote: "He did have a long history of heart related illness … please know that it was not some conspiracy, just a very sad event."[349] However, another daughter apparently believes he was killed.[350]

License to kill?

Although the cause of death remains unclear, and although the most powerful people in the land had every motive to execute Pittman, no official, thorough, investigation of the case has ever been carried out.

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Gary Webb, 1955-2004 (aged 49).

Relevant positions: Pulitzer prize-winning investigative reporter at the mainstream *San Jose Mercury News*; investigator for the California State Legislature.[351]

Official cause of death: Suicide: Two .38 caliber gunshot wounds to the head.[352]

Grounds for murder?

- In 1996, Webb published his celebrated "Dark Alliance" series, in which he accused the CIA of deliberately causing the crack cocaine explosion in the inner cities of the USA, especially targeting the African-American community. (See also: "Prologue to Chapter 6: Singers-Songwriters," this encyclopedia.)

- Webb exposed the close links between the government, CIA, and the "independent" press:

> The government side of the story is coming through the *Los Angeles Times*, the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post.* They use the giant corporate press rather than saying anything directly. If you work through friendly reporters on major newspapers, it comes off as *The New York Times* saying it and not a mouthpiece of the CIA.... If we had met five years ago, you wouldn't have found a more staunch defender of the newspaper industry than me … And then I wrote some stories that made me realize how sadly misplaced my bliss had been."[353]

- "There have been reports from reliable sources that, prior to his death, Webb had uncovered even more material related to his original 'Dark Alliance' investigations, and that he was in the process of completing another book about drug trafficking and the CIA.... the primary motive behind Webb's likely murder was to stop him from publishing his next investigative exposé."[354]

- "As part of the grassroots backlash generated from Webb's 'Dark Alliance' series, many in the Black Community openly charged that the government, via the CIA's drug trafficking of cocaine into California, was guilty of a genocidal plot against African Americans."

Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill

- The CIA's mockingbirds called Webb a "seemingly hotheaded fellow willing to have people leap to conclusions his reporting couldn't back up."[355] "Just two months after his story appeared, the most powerful newspapers in the country published massive rebuttals to "Dark Alliance."[356] Nor did the mockingbirds cease to pounce on Webb long after he was suicided.

- Despite his impeccable credentials, after pressure from the CIA (including death threats?), in 1997 Webb was fired from the *San Jose Mercury News*. "Webb was hardly the first American journalist to lose his job after taking on the country's most secretive government agency in print. Every serious reporter or politician that tried to unravel the connection between the CIA, the Nicaraguan Contras and cocaine, had lived [or died] to regret it."[357]

- In 2000, Webb escaped a potentially-serious motor cycle accident with minor injuries.

- He was airlifted to a hospital after another accident.

- In 2004 he was likewise fired from his position at the California Legislature, thus severing his last connection to the mainstream. He was no longer able to support his three children. By 2004, Webb's lack of employment forced him to sell his house.

- The *Dark Alliance* phony controversy killed Webb's prospects overnight. "The minute those front page stories ran basically trashing this guy nobody would touch him."

- "Webb had grown … uncharacteristically concerned about his family's security. He kept a gun stashed in his bedroom. The telephone would sometimes ring, but nobody was there. In the middle of a conversation, Sue [Webb's wife] would sometimes hear clicks on the line."

- "One evening, Sue noticed that her husband seemed especially quiet. When she asked him what was wrong, he told her that he'd met with a source that had said something that bothered him. 'He was told that he'd be killed one day.'"

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "Webb was found dead … with two gunshot wounds to the head. His death was ruled suicide by the Sacramento County coroner's office. After a local newspaper reported that Webb had died from multiple gunshots, the coroner's office received so many calls asking about Webb's death that Sacramento County Coroner Robert Lyons issued a statement confirming Webb had died by suicide. When asked by local reporters about the possibility of two gunshots being a suicide, Lyons replied: "It's unusual in a suicide case to have two shots, but it has been done in the past, and it is in fact a distinct possibility."[358]

- Although the coroner ruled the death a suicide, in 2005, Ted Gunderson, a former FBI senior special agent, said: "Gary Webb was MURDERED. He resisted the first shot [to the head that exited via his jaw] so he was shot again with the second shot going into the head [brain]." Gunderson regards the theory that Webb could have managed to shoot himself twice as "impossible!"[359]

- It would perhaps be more correct to say that a suicide involving multiple "gunshots to the head" is extremely unlikely, but not impossible.[360]

- The accusations against Webb that he lacked professionalism were false and politically motivated. A former supervisor said "that Webb was known as 'the carpenter' because he had everything nailed down. Gary's documentation is awesome and his work ethic is unbelievable."[361] Likewise, the Northern California Chapter of the national *Society of Professional Journalists* had voted Webb "Journalist of the Year" for 1996. Even one of Webb's most strident critics in the mainstream media acknowledged that Webb had been vindicated in 1998 by … the CIA Inspector General report.

- Throughout this saga, one of the few officials who dared side with Webb and displease the CIA was Representative Maxine Waters. In a 2004 eulogy she said:

> I am stunned and pained with the loss of Gary Webb. Gary was a friend and one of the finest investigative journalists that our country has ever seen. The Dark Alliance series was one of the most profound pieces of journalism I have ever witnessed. Gary's work was not only in depth, revealing and confrontational but it single handedly created discussion and debate about the proliferation of crack cocaine and the role of the CIA.
>
> Unfortunately, the major news papers attempted to silence him by undermining his personal character and his professional integrity. Through his diligence, he has brought to the attention of the American public the failed policies of the CIA and the drug war.[362]

- By 2010, the CIA had its revenge on Waters too.[363] First, the same CIA newspaper (*Los Angeles Times*) that led the charge against Gary Webb, in the same year, wrote a major article accusing Waters of corruption. By 2010, she was singled out and disgraced in the House of Representative (a body that practices sunshine bribery as a matter of routine) for … violating ethics rules. To its credit, almost 3 years later, and after Waters sustained years and years of scandal-mongering, the House Ethics Committee cleared her of all charges.[364]

Evidence suggesting that the Invisible Government was not involved

- Webb's estranged wife told a "reporter she was certain her ex-husband had committed suicide. 'The way he was acting, it would be hard for me to believe it was anything but suicide,' she said, explaining that he had been 'distraught for some time over his inability to get a job at another major newspaper.'"[365]

- Nick Schou's sympathetic book on Webb takes it for granted that Webb did, in fact, kill himself. Schou notes that Webb was taking anti-depressants before his death and that he paid in advance for his own cremation. If Schou's interpretation is correct, one could still say that the CIA and its mockingbirds are indirectly responsible for Webb's premature passing: "There wasn't any assassin's bullet, nor was there any need for one. It was Gary Webb's controversial, career-ending story — and the combined resources and dedication of America's three largest and most powerful newspapers — that killed his career as a reporter and set the stage for his personal self-destruction."[366]

License to kill?

No government investigation of other causes of death (besides suicide) has ever been carried out.

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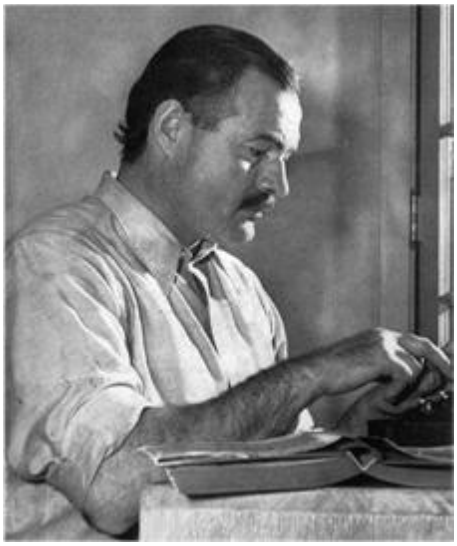
CHAPTER 4: WRITERS

If people bring so much courage to this world the world has to kill them. — Ernest Hemingway

Ernest Hemingway, 1999-1961 (aged 61).



Relevant positions: Fiction writer; journalist; winner of the 1954 Nobel Prize in literature.

Official cause of death: Suicide with a shotgun at his home.

Grounds for murder?

- Hemingway wrote a popular anti-war novel, *A Farewell to Arms*.

- In *A Farewell to Arms*, Hemingway wrote:

> If people bring so much courage to this world the world has to kill them to break them, so of course it kills them. The world breaks every one and afterward many are strong at the broken places. But those that it will not break it kills. It kills the very good and the very gentle and the very brave impartially.

- Hemingway wrote *For Whom the Bell Tolls*, which provided a sympathetic depiction of the anti-fascist side of the Spanish Civil War (the Invisible Government tacitly sided with the Spanish fascists during the war and decades after the war).

- He was delighted with Castro's overthrow of Batista.[367]

- During World War II, Hemingway tried "to set up an anti-fascist spy network called the Crook Factory."[368]

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- The FBI kept a Hemingway file and had the author himself under constant surveillance.

- "The FBI knew Hemingway was at the Mayo Clinic … an aura of secrecy surrounds Hemingway's treatment at the Mayo … he was treated with electroconvulsive therapy as many as 15 times in December 1960, then in January 1961 was 'released in ruins.' … The combination of medications given to Hemingway may have created a depressive state for which he was treated."[369]

- According to A. E. Hotchner, Hemingway's close associate and the author of *Papa Hemingway* and *Hemingway and his World*, Hemingway complained for years that he was under FBI surveillance. Hotchner and other friends of the Nobel prize winner dismissed such claims as paranoia. To Hotchner's surprise, in 1980, when the FBI was forced to release some of its least-damning Hemingway files, it turned out Hemingway was right.[370]

- Hotchner says that he believes that FBI's surveillance "substantially contributed to his [friend's] anguish and … suicide," adding that he had "regretfully misjudged" his friend's fear of the organization.

- It remains to be seen whether Hemingway was "suicided," committed suicide because of deliberate medical malpractice, or because of constant FBI surveillance, harassment, and psychological warfare. Either way, directly or indirectly, according to the once-skeptic Hotchner, the government killed Hemingway.

- Hemingway was almost killed in two successive plane crashes that left him in pain or ill health for much of his remaining life.[371] (Reminiscent of Ted Kennedy and Walter Reuther.)

- "In 1930 … Hemingway broke his arm in a car accident."

- In another car accident, Hemingway had a concussion.

- "In a 1945 car accident, he 'smashed his knee' and sustained another 'deep wound on his forehead.'"

- A 1947 car accident left his son "with a head wound and severely ill."

- Hemingway sustained serious injuries in a brush fire.

Evidence suggesting that the Invisible Government was not involved

Four members of Hemingway's family allegedly committed suicide.

License to kill?

> Despite Hemingway's justified "paranoia," despite his worldwide fame, despite FBI harassment, despite earlier accidents, the government stuck to the suicide explanation and never, ever, investigated the possibility of foul play.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to "paranoia:" The mainstream media, as well as friends and relatives of Richard Wright, Phil Ochs, and Philip Marshall also accused these dissidents of paranoia and closed their minds to the obvious, constant, harassment: "Sometimes," novelist William S. Burroughs said, "paranoia is just having all the facts."

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Richard Wright, 1908-1960 (aged 52)**.**

Relevant positions: Fiction and non-fiction writer; political commentator and lecturer.

Official cause of death: Naturally-occurring heart attack in his home in Paris, France.

Grounds for murder?

- Wright was a member of the Communist Party of the USA, 1933-1942.[372]

- He declined an invitation to join the CIA-linked *Congress for Cultural Freedom*.

- His works provide a brilliant indictment of American racism, provincialism, and needless poverty.

- "By 1959, Wright wanted to leave Paris.... He felt French politics had become increasingly submissive to American pressure."

- In 1960, Wright "denounced American policy in Africa."

- In spite of being in financial straits, Wright refused to compromise his principles. He declined to participate in a series of programs for Canadian radio because he suspected American control.

- Wright was dangerous because many of his works imply that the only remedy left to decent people was a rebellion against the status quo. Fellow writer Amiri Baraka, for

instance, said: “Wright was one of the people who made me conscious of the need to struggle.”

- In Paris, Wright “identified himself with the efforts of French Existentialist philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre to join forces with former Trotskyist David Rousset in creating the Rassemblement démocratique révolutionnaire (Revolutionary Democratic Assembly, RDR) as a political alternative to movements allied with either the Soviet Union or the West. In 1948, Wright threw himself into the new organization and delivered a major speech against Western imperialism and Soviet totalitarianism that was extensively cited. His argument was that African-American disenfranchisement from the fruits of industrial society was the intensified form of a process affecting a growing portion of humanity, and that a revolutionary change — never elaborated — was essential to avert the dire consequences.”[373]

Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill

- Wright was blacklisted by Hollywood movie studios in the 1950s.[374]

- “The CIA and FBI had Wright under surveillance starting in 1943.”

- “Throughout his international political activities, Wright was aware that he was being shadowed by the Central Intelligence Agency. His paranoia was later justified when evidence about his surveillance was made available under the Freedom of Information Act.”[375]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- “Richard Wright died of a heart attack in Paris .... There had been no history of heart trouble and rumours circulated that he had been murdered.”[376] “Wright was himself concerned about the possibility of being killed since being investigated by Joseph McCarthy in 1953.”[377]

- “Just before his death Wright had received several mysterious phone calls from people with fictitious names.”

- “Wright's daughter Julia claimed that her father was murdered.”[378]

License to kill?

Despite Wright’s justified “paranoia,” despite his worldwide fame, despite FBI harassment, both the French and the American governments stuck to the suicide explanation and never, ever, investigated the possibility of foul play.

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CHAPTER 5: MINORITY RIGHTS, PEACE, AND ANTI-POVERTY ACTIVISTS

Too many martyrs and too many dead
Too many lies, too many empty words were said
Too many times for too many angry men
Oh, let it never be again. — Phil Ochs

Fred Hampton, 1948-1969 (aged 21).

Relevant positions: High-ranking member of the Black Panther Party (BPP).

Official cause of death: Murdered in cold blood (two bullets to the head) by the FBI and Illinois police. By the time of the raid, Hampton was "comatose."[379] This is the *official* narrative: "In December 1969, Hampton was drugged, shot and killed in his bed during a predawn raid at his Chicago apartment by a tactical unit of the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in conjunction with the Chicago Police Department and the FBI."[380]

Grounds for murder?

- "The FBI believed that Hampton's leadership and talent for communication made him a major threat."[381]

- The FBI saw "the Panthers, Young Patriots, Young Lords and similar radical coalitions forged by Hampton in Chicago, as a frightening steppingstone toward the creation of just such a revolutionary body that could, in its strength, cause a radical change in the U.S. government."[382]

- "In 1968, [Hampton] was on the verge of creating a merger between the BPP [Black Panther Party] and a southside street gang with thousands of members, which would have doubled the size of the national BPP."[383] That move would have also improved the BPP's ability to fight back in what was, until then, a one-sided war.

- "In the late 1960s, Fred Hampton helped lead a coalition of activists, working across racial lines, against a corrupt city government that threatened their communities. At the core of their work were social programs, including free breakfasts, health clinics, and legal aid. Hampton named the group the Rainbow Coalition. And because of its impact, it wasn't long before its members got the attention of the police and the FBI. What followed was an assassination and a cover-up."[384]

- Like M. L. King and Malcolm X, Hampton realized the problem was not only racism, but poverty and an entrenched oligarchy. Before his death, he was trying to forge an alliance among disenfranchised blacks, whites, and Hispanics. The FBI understood that this was an ideological and strategic breakthrough, an untenable ultimate threat, and resolved to employ "any means necessary" to decimate the BPP.[385]

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- "The FBI opened a file on Hampton in 1967. In 1968, Hampton's mother's phone was tapped and Hampton was placed on the Bureau's 'Agitator Index' as a 'key militant leader.'"[386]

- FBI operatives sought to discredit the Black Panther Party "by orchestrating the release of false and derogatory information through the media. For this purpose, agents had at their disposal an already developed network of some 300 'cooperating journalists,' many of them nationally syndicated and all of them prepared to pump out the Bureau line on virtually any topic, including in some cases a willingness to simply sign their names to 'news' stories and opinion pieces written by FBI propaganda specialists."[387]

- The FBI blackmailed a criminal to infiltrate Hampton's chapter of the Black Panther Party (BPP), and that informant became Hampton's bodyguard.

- In 1969, Hampton was sentenced to two to five years for an alleged theft and distribution to kids of … $71 worth of ice cream bars.[388]

- In July 1969, the Chicago police killed a member of the Black Panther Party and arrested six on trumped-up charges. There followed an armed confrontation between party members and the police, which left one BPP member mortally wounded and six others arrested on serious charges.[389]

- On the night of the unprovoked raid on Hampton's apartment, the FBI infiltrator to the group slipped sleeping pills into Hampton's drink, to make sure he would be asleep during the raid. The police entered and killed the sleeping Fred Hampton. In that same raid, the

police also killed Mark Clark,[390] another Black Panther leader, and seriously wounded four others. These four were "then beaten and dragged into the street, where they were arrested on charges of aggravated assault and the attempted murder of the officers. They were each held on US$100,000 bail."[391] (That's the way it is: They shoot and bomb unarmed dissidents … and, if the wounded dissidents survive, they do not take them to the hospital but to the clink — see for instance the Judi Bari entry.)

- At a press conference the next day, the police lied through their teeth. They alleged the death squad had been attacked by the "violent" and "extremely vicious" Panthers and had defended themselves accordingly. In a second press conference, the death squad was praised for its "remarkable restraint," "bravery," and "professional discipline," for not killing all the Panthers present.

- During a subsequent trial, the Chicago police department (serving as proxies for the FBI) claimed that the Panthers were the first to fire shots; however, a later investigation found that the Chicago police fired between 90 and 99 shots while the Panthers had only fired once (a shot "caused by a reflexive death convulsion after the raiding team shot" Hampton's associate"[392]). As always, the mainstream media echoed the police's prevarications.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "Beginning in August 1967, the Black Panther Party was savaged by a campaign of political repression, which in terms of its sheer viciousness has few parallels in American history. Coordinated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as part of its then-ongoing domestic counterintelligence program (COINTELPRO) and enlisting dozens of local police departments around the country, the assault left at least thirty Panthers dead, scores of others imprisoned after dubious convictions, and hundreds more suffering permanent physical or psychological damage. Simultaneously, the Party was infiltrated at every level by agents provocateurs, all of them harnessed to the task of disrupting its internal functioning. Completing the package was a torrent of "disinformation" planted in the media to discredit the Panthers before the public, both personally and organizationally, thus isolating them from potential support. Although an entity bearing its name would continue to exist in Oakland, California for another decade, as would several offshoots situated elsewhere, the Black Panther Party in the sense that it was originally conceived was effectively destroyed by the end of 1971. In this, it was hardly alone."[393]

- This premeditated murder of Fred Hampton and Mark Clark was a bit too much for a segment of the half-awake public, so a kangaroo inquest was set up. As always in such cases, it consisted of carefully-chosen compliant members, and was in reality "a well-rehearsed theatrical performance designed to vindicate the police officers."[394]

- "Following a long, corruption-ridden, judicial battle, "the City of Chicago, Cook County, and the federal government agreed to a settlement in which each would pay $616,333 to a group of nine plaintiffs, including the mothers of Hampton and Clark. The $1.85 million settlement was believed to be the largest ever in a civil rights case.[395] Thus, despite a rigged judicial system, the government conceded its culpability.

- The FBI "decimated" the Black Panther leadership.

- When an FBI agent informed headquarters that the Black Panthers were primarily involved in organizing breakfasts for children, Director Hoover "fired back a memo implying the career ambitions of the agent were directly related to his supplying evidence to support Hoover's view that the BPP was 'a violence-prone organization seeking to overthrow the Government by revolutionary means.'"[396]

- The FBI successfully caused dissension, splits, violence, and killings in the ranks of the Black Panther memberships and affiliated organizations.

- The orders to kill Hampton and others came directly from the then-director of the FBI.[397]

- Some documents related to the case remain "redacted," suggesting a half-century-old cover-up[398] and implying that the real story is far uglier than the one presented here.

License to kill?

In this case, America's ruling oligarchs openly exercised their prerogative to kill any genuine reformer. The same goes for the Black Panther Party as a whole, and to all US/UK victims:

> Despite the highly publicized conclusions of the Church Committee and other official bodies during the mid-1970s that [the FBI's] COINTELPRO was an inherently criminal enterprise, and despite a raft of more localized findings over the years that the criminality at issue extended even to murder, not one cop or agent has spent so much as a minute of time in prison as a result.[399]

A generalization

There is overwhelming evidence that Fred Hampton and some of his associates were victims of premeditated murder. Civil court lawsuits involving both Hampton and M. L. King support the allegation of murder. The USA is known, throughout its history, to have killed millions of minorities (especially Native-Americans and African-Americans). This leads to the following generalization: Whenever a prominent champion of freedom, justice, peace, and sustainability prematurely dies, the prime suspect is the government.

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Marcus Garvey, 1888-1940 (aged 52).

Relevant positions: Publisher, journalist, entrepreneur, African nationalist.

Official cause of death: Two strokes, putatively after reading a mistaken, and negative, obituary of himself in the *Chicago Defender*, which stated, in part, that Garvey died "broke, alone and unpopular."[400]

Grounds for murder?

- Garvey promoted a movement of African redemption, aimed at ending Western exploitation of Africa.
- Garvey was an effective leader: Already by 1921, in New York City, Garvey "attracted more than 50,000 people" to an event he organized.
- His influential organization promoted "social, political, and economic freedom for black people."
- By 1917, he suggested that it was "a time to lift one's voice against the savagery of a people who claim to be the dispensers of democracy."
- By 1920, membership in his organization "had grown to four million."
- Like (assassinated) Gandhi and (assassinated) M. L. King Jr. after him, Garvey understood the key links between economic and political freedom. For instance, his organization became the owner of a ship and a winery. Also, Garvey started the *Negros Factories Association*, "a series of companies that would manufacture marketable commodities in every big industrial center in the Western hemisphere and Africa."[401]
- According to M. L. King, Garvey "was the first man on a mass scale and level to give millions of Negroes a sense of dignity and destiny. And make the Negro feel he was somebody."[402]

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- J. Edgar Hoover launched an "inquiry into Garvey's activities in August 1919. When this initial probe revealed no illegalities, Hoover, describing any such outcome as 'unfortunate' and railing against Garvey's 'pro-Negroism,' ordered that the investigation not only be continued but intensified. UNIA [Garvey's Universal Negro Improvement Association] was quickly infiltrated by operatives recruited specifically for the purpose, and a number

of informants developed within it. Still, it was another two years before the [FBI] was able to find a pretext — Garvey's technical violation of the laws governing offerings of corporate stock — upon which to bring charges of "mail fraud." Convicted in July 1923 by an all-white jury, the UNIA leader was first incarcerated in the federal maximum-security prison at Atlanta, then deported as an undesirable alien in 1927. By then the organization he'd founded had disintegrated."[403]

- "To investigate" Garvey's activities, Hoover hired the FBI's first black agents, accusing Garvey of "mail fraud." Like M. L. King Jr., Garvey wrote a moving letter from prison.[404]

- Following Garvey's first efforts to achieve economic freedom and self-sufficiency for exploited blacks and Africans, an investigation by an assistant district attorney was started in New York, followed by numerous interrogation sessions, libel lawsuits, arrest, and an indictment. These were sufficiently vicious and intimidating to force Garvey to retract … the truth.

- The first assassination attempt occurred in 1919, by a man who claimed that he had been sent by the same assistant district attorney who had earlier harassed, sued, and intimidated Garvey. Four shots were fired "wounding Garvey in the right leg and scalp."

- By 1929, in Jamaica, whatever remained of the economic assets of Garvey's organization was confiscated. When he opposed this politically-motivated desire to block economic self-sufficiency of oppressed black people, he was again sent to prison.

License to kill?

Despite numerous harassment and smearing episodes, despite an earlier government attempt to kill him, no investigation of the causes of his death was carried out.

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Martin Luther King Jr., 1929-1968 (aged 39).

Relevant positions: An extremely influential political leader of a mass movement fighting against racism, vast income inequalities, poverty, militarism, and wars; Nobel peace prize winner.

Official cause of death: Lone assassin.

Historical background

Apart from the dubious case of Washington's birthday (which in some states is celebrated as Presidents' Day), the USA has just two secular national holidays dedicated to a single individual: Columbus Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Both involve brazen hypocrisy: Columbus was an intrepid adventurer but also a merciless mass murderer, while King's courageous stand against bloodstained imperialism and needless poverty has been virtually erased from the collective memory.

Indeed, King's death bears all the hallmarks of government assassination, including King's prominence, opposition to American militarism, defense of unions, and planned multiracial Poor People's March on Washington in 1968 (the year of his death). The Invisible Government responded to his peaceful but influential escape from his promoted and proscribed role of "civil rights leader" (that is how he rose to prominence in the first place, through a concerted promotional campaign of the mass media) with smears,[405] incarcerations, infiltrations of his inner circle, FBI surveillance, and threats. They tried blackmailing him into a suicide and to kill him outright through their lone assassin routine (by a "deranged" black woman). On the second try, they succeeded, staging King's murder and blaming it on an innocent man. Below, only partial documentation will be provided, relying in large measure on a 40-year-long courageous crusade for justice by King's close friend, associate, and attorney, Dr. William F. Pepper.

In particular, in a civil court trial, Pepper cajoled the American "justice" system into ascribing King's murder to the government. "After four weeks of testimony and over 70 witnesses in a civil trial in Memphis, Tennessee, twelve jurors reached a unanimous verdict on December 8, 1999 after about an hour of deliberations."[406] They concluded that "Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated as a result of a conspiracy that included agencies of his own government. Almost 32 years after King's murder … on April 4, 1968, a court extended the circle of responsibility for the assassination beyond the late scapegoat James Earl Ray to the United States government."[407]

Domenico Losurdo sums it up:

> J. Edgar Hoover's FBI had not waited for King's radical turn before spying on him, tailing him, discrediting him, persecuting him, frightening him with "a false fire alarm," in an attempt to debilitate him, even inviting him to commit suicide in an anonymous letter: "Edgar's effort to ruin King was in high gear in the spring of 1964." The further the process of radicalization went, the more the African-American leader was conscious of the dangers confronting him. Here he is underscoring in a speech of 5 November 1967 the need for those fighting for a noble cause to risk death:

> I say to you this morning, that if you have never found something so dear and so precious to you that you will die for it, then you aren't fit to live. You may be thirty-eight years old, as I happen to be, and one day, some great opportunity stands before you and calls upon you to stand up for some great principle, some great issue, some great cause. And you refuse to do it because you are afraid. You refuse to do it because you want to live longer.... You died when you refused to stand up for right.

We must thus endorse the 1975 view of Walter Mondale, former US vice president: "The way Martin Luther King was hounded and harassed is a disgrace to every American."[408]

Grounds for murder?

- "King was not only hated by the establishment as he rose to prominence in the 1960s, he was feared. Not only did he have the ability to move large numbers of people with his message of peace and tolerance, but he had designs on a political career. According to Pepper, King was planning to run for president on a third-party ticket with fellow anti-war activist Dr. Benjamin Spock. He was also causing panic in powerful circles because he intended to bring hundreds of thousands of poor people to an encampment in Washington, D.C. in the spring of 1968 to bring attention to the plight of the poor."[409]

- "'They were terrified that the anger level when [the demonstrators] were not going to get what they wanted was going to rise to such a point where Martin was going to lose control of that group and the more radical among them would take it over and they'd have a revolution," Pepper explains. 'And they didn't have the troops to put it down.'"

- "When King moved against not only the issue of racial inequality, but the issues of poverty and imperialism, and drawing the connections between these areas and building opposition to them, King could no longer be tolerated by the established powers."[410]

- "King would also have posed an increasing threat to the political establishment because he intended to become much more vocal in his opposition to the Vietnam War."[411]

- Martin's "trying to organize the poor to challenge this government in Washington, D.C. in the Poor People's Campaign, and Martin's determination not just to speak out against the Vietnam [War], but to speak out against the entire imperialist and militarist direction of the country — all of that has to be understood when we try to understand Martin's assassination."[412]

- Like Gandhi and Garvey (see also: Marcus Garvey), King intended to capitalize on the collective economic power of poor people and on the threat such power — once organized — could pose to the oligarchs. He said:

> Always anchor our external direct action with the power of economic withdrawal. Now, we [African-Americans] are poor people. Individually, we are poor when you compare us with white society in America. We are poor. Never

> stop and forget that collectively — that means all of us together — collectively we are richer than all the nations in the world.[413]

- "Had Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X been able to complete their lives and visions in less tragic ways, a Muslim-Christian vision of transformation would have emerged as a way to change this country and the world."[414]

- "Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination was a major negative turning point in American history. It sparked riots that played into Richard Nixon's call for law and order, deprived the civil rights and Vietnam anti-war movements of its greatest leader, and destroyed prospects for an inter-racial movement of the poor."[415]

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- Thanks to a massive propaganda effort engineered by the American government and its media lapdogs, twice as many Americans disapproved of Martin Luther King as approved.[416]

- "Thanks to the nearly four-decade investigation by human rights lawyer William Pepper, it is now clear once and for all that Martin Luther King was murdered in a conspiracy that was instigated by then FBI director J. Edgar Hoover and that also involved the U.S. military, the Memphis Police Department, and 'Dixie Mafia' crime figures in Memphis, Tennessee."[417]

- According to the United States Government: "Speculation that the FBI … might have had a role in the assassination originated in the early 1970's when the public became aware of COINTELPRO, the Bureau's counterintelligence program that had Dr. King as one of its targets. When, in 1976 … the full scope of the attempt by the FBI to discredit Dr. King became recognized, suspicions were widely rekindled.... On August 25, 1967, FBI headquarters directed 22 field offices, including Memphis … to expose, disrupt, misdirect or otherwise neutralize the activities of specified organizations, including the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Instructions were issued that no opportunities be overlooked for counterintelligence action.... Several goals of COINTELPRO were set out. One of them was to prevent the rise of a 'messiah' who could unify and electrify the militant black nationalist movement.... King could be a very real contender for this position.... Dr. King's Washington spring project, the upcoming march on Washington, was the subject of great concern at FBI headquarters."[418]

- The FBI illegally recorded extra-marital affairs of Dr. King, and threatened to make the recordings public … unless King killed himself within 34 days of receiving this blackmail letter.[419]

- There had been at least one previous attempt on his life that bears all the marks of an FBI/CIA operation. Let Martin himself, in his own inimitable style, recount it (doing so, ironically, one day before he was murdered "at last"):

> You know, several years ago, I was in New York City autographing the first book that I had written. And while sitting there autographing books, a demented black woman came up. The only question I heard from her was, "Are you Martin Luther King?" And I was looking down writing, and I said, "Yes." And the next minute I felt something beating on my chest. Before I knew it I had been stabbed by this demented woman. I was rushed to Harlem Hospital. It was a dark Saturday afternoon. And that blade had gone through, and the X-rays revealed that the tip of the blade was on the edge of my aorta, the main artery. And once that's punctured, you drown in your own blood — that's the end of you."[420]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "We know that Ray took the fall for a murder he did not commit. We know that a member of the Memphis Police Department fired the fatal shot and that two military sniper teams that were part of the 902nd Military Intelligence Group were sent to Memphis as back-ups should the primary shooter fail. We have access to the fascinating account of how Pepper came to meet Colonel John Downie, the man in charge of the military part of the plot and Lyndon Johnson's former Vietnam briefer."[421]

- "The King family had for a long time publicly acknowledged that they believed the accused killer, James Earl Ray, to have been innocent of the crime he was accused of."[422]

- "'There is abundant evidence of a major high level conspiracy in the assassination of my husband, Martin Luther King, Jr.,' Coretta King said at a press conference in 1999, according to The King Center … The King family started to publicly voice the opinion in 1997. That year, King's son Dexter Scott King visited Ray in prison to draw attention to the family's push to appeal his case. Even after Ray died in 1998 from complications caused by hepatitis C, the family continued to assert there was, as Coretta King said in 1999, 'overwhelming evidence that identified someone else, not James Earl Ray, as the shooter, and that Mr. Ray was set up to take the blame.'"[423]

- "The most stunning revelation in *The Plot to Kill King* — which some may question because the account is second hand — is that King was still alive when he arrived at St. Joseph's Hospital and that he was killed by a doctor who was supposed to be trying to save his life."[424] 'Chief of surgery Dr. Breen Bland [entered] the emergency room with two men in suits. Seeing doctors working on King, Bland commanded, 'Stop working on the nigger and let him die! Now, all of you get out of here, right now. Everybody get out … the breathing tube had been removed from King and … Bland was holding a pillow over his head.'"[425]

- Pepper says he's convinced that knowledge of the plot went all the way to the nominal top: "The whole thing would have been part of Lyndon Johnson's playbook. I think Johnson knew about this."

- "The only two black members of the Memphis Fire Department had been told the day before the shooting not to report for work the next day at the fire station. And black

detective Ed Redditt was told an hour before the shooting to stay home because a threat had been made on his life."

- "The bushes that concealed the shooter were conveniently trimmed the day after the shooting, giving a false impression that a shooter could not have been concealed there."

- "Another casualty of the King murder was cab driver Buddy Butler who reported that he saw a man running from the scene right after the shot, going south on Mulberry St., and jumping into a police car (this would turn out to be MPD Lieutenant Earl Clark). Butler reported this to his dispatcher and later to fellow cab driver Louie Ward. Butler was interviewed at the Yellow Cab Company later that evening by police. Ward was told the next day that Butler had either fallen, or was pushed, to his death from a speeding car on the Memphis-Arkansas Bridge."

- In 1993, Loyd Jowers "related the details of an alleged conspiracy involving the Mafia and the U.S. government to kill the civil rights leader. According to Jowers, the alleged assassin, James Earl Ray, was a scapegoat, and was not the only person responsible for assassinating King. Instead, Jowers said that he hired Memphis police Lieutenant Earl Clark to fire the fatal shot. A Memphis civil trial in 1999 supported this claim."[426]

- Betty Spates, Jowers' girlfriend, "says she saw him rush into the back of the Grill through the back door seconds after the shot, white as a ghost and holding a rifle, which he then wrapped in a tablecloth and hid on a shelf under the counter. He turned to her and said, "Betty, you wouldn't do anything to hurt me, would you?" She responded, "Of course not, Loyd." Spates, who didn't come forward until the 1990s, also recounted that Jowers had been delivered a large sum of money right before the assassination."[427]

- An alternative report suggests that the actual murderer was Frank Strausser. "Another incredible revelation in *The Plot to Kill King* is the identity of the man who appears to have fired the fatal shot. Pepper learned his identity from Lenny B. Curtis, who was a custodian at the Memphis Police Department rifle range. Curtis told Pepper this in 2003, and Pepper recorded a deposition with him but kept it confidential out of fear for Curtis's life. Only after his death in 2013 did Pepper reveal what Curtis had said — that the shooter was Memphis police officer Frank Strausser. 'We had to be very careful about [Curtis's safety],' Pepper says."

- "In December 1963, less than a month after the assassination of President Kennedy, FBI officials had met in Washington to explore ways of 'neutralizing King as an effective Negro leader.'"[428]

<u>Associated deaths:</u>

1. "Three months after Jimmy Hoffa's lawyer, Z.T. Osborn, Jr., decided to help James Earl Ray with his case, he abruptly committed 'suicide' — which his wife did not believe."

2. Two judges considering Ray's request for a retrial … died of suspicious heart attacks.

3. In July 1969, King's brother, the Reverend Alfred Daniel King, was found dead in his home after an apparent swimming pool accident ("accidental drowning"). By all accounts, he was a fantastic swimmer.

4. In 1971, Bill Sartor, a 32-year-old writer for *Life* and *Look* magazines on the trail of the … organized crime connection to King's death, was murdered in Waco, Texas.

5. Six years after Sartor's death, former FBI assistant director of intelligence William Sullivan, a man who called Hoover "the greatest blackmailer in history,"[429] was shot and killed by a man … who mistook him for a deer while deer-hunting. The killing occurred shortly before he was scheduled to testify … about his former boss, J. Edgar Hoover's, hatred of King."[430]

6. Buddy Butler (see above).

License to kill?

Owing to King's fame and popularity, the government did everything it could to cover the tracks of the assassins — while pretending to conduct an investigation.

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Malcolm X, 1925-1965 (aged 39).

Relevant positions: Influential revolutionary; critic of American policies; champion of the rights of African-Americans and the poor.

Official cause of death: Assassinated by three members of the Nation of Islam[431] in front of his wife and children.

Grounds for murder?

- In 1961 in Los Angeles, police raided a Nation of Islam temple (to which, at the time, Malcolm belonged), arrested many members on bogus charges, beating others, shooting six, and killing one. The homicidal police went Scot-free, but, as usual, some of the surviving victims were arrested. Malcolm decided to fight back.

- In 1964, Malcolm broke with the Nation of Islam, and "expressed a desire to work with other civil rights leaders" — an FBI nightmare. Moreover, towards the end of his life, that nightmare got worse, for Malcolm was rational enough to "rearrange his thinking" and let go of the racist teachings of the Nation of Islam (such racism serves the Invisible Government's divide and rule strategy). (That is one reason why King and Hampton were executed — their realization that it was not primarily a question of race, and that the real issue was the people versus the oligarchs.) In a truly moving discourse, two days before his death, Malcolm said:

> Brother, remember the time that white college girl came into the restaurant — the one who wanted to help the [Black] Muslims and the whites get together — and I told her there wasn't a ghost of a chance and she went away crying? Well, I've lived to regret that incident. In many parts of the African continent I saw white students helping black people. Something like this kills a lot of argument. I did many things as a [Black] Muslim that I'm sorry for now. I was a zombie then — like all [Black] Muslims — I was hypnotized, pointed in a certain direction and told to march. Well, I guess a man's entitled to make a fool of himself if he's ready to pay the cost. It cost me 12 years.

- Professor Manning Marable underscores that transformation, and the threat such thinking posed to the status quo:

> Malcolm, on Jan. 15, 1965, a month before he dies, does an interview in Canada, I believe in Toronto, where he says, 'All my life, I believed that the fundamental struggle was Black versus white. Now I realize that it is the haves against the have-nots.' Malcolm came to the realization, King came to the realization, that the nature of the struggle was between those who have and those who are dispossessed.[432] There was nothing J. Edgar Hoover feared more than a

> charismatic Black radical who could inspire the oppressed to fight back. And that's why … the FBI had its fingerprints all over Malcolm X's murder.[433]

- Jim Douglass captures what was at stake here for the Invisible Government — and for the rest of us:

> Had Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X been able to complete their lives and visions in less tragic ways, a Muslim-Christian vision of transformation would have emerged as a way to change this country and the world.[434]

- Malcolm X correctly argued that since the U.S. government was unwilling to protect the life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness of black people, blacks should protect themselves "by whatever means necessary."[435] That is the one thing the oligarchs fear most of all: Oppressed people who are willing to kill their oppressors.

Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill

- An FBI file was opened in 1950, and surveillance began in 1954. By 1957, undercover agents had infiltrated the Nation of Islam.

- In 1964, Malcolm survived a poisoning attempt in a Cairo, Egypt, restaurant.

- Malcolm was the subject of "near-constant death threats."

- "The week before Malcolm was to give his fateful talk at the Audubon Ballroom, on Valentine's Day, his house was firebombed. While he was able to evacuate his wife and children before the house was consumed by flames, it took nearly an hour for police to arrive."[436]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- In 2014, while the White House was nominally controlled by a White/African-American man — almost half a century after Malcolm's death — the government refused "to release, without alteration, any files they still held relating to the murder of Malcolm X."[437] What are they hiding?

- The FBI appears to continue the witch-hunt against Malcolm's descendants. More generally, the Invisible Government's war against African-American freedom fighters wholeheartedly subscribes to the view that if the fathers have eaten the sour grapes of rebellion, then their children's teeth should be set on edge: "Malcolm X's daughter and grandson, Fred Hampton's son and Tupac Shakur, son of Black Panther Party leaders, were among those targeted by deadly counterintelligence operations."[438]

- In 1994, Malcolm's daughter Qubilah – who at age 4½ watched her father die in a hail of gunfire — "was being drawn into a plot to assassinate Louis Farrakhan by an FBI informant."[439] That snitch was "a childhood friend who was a Government informer and betrayed her to curry favor with law-enforcement officials." Her lawyers claim it was a setup.[440] Her mother insisted she was framed. If so, why would the FBI go to the trouble of entrapment? One possible explanation is that the FBI was trying to create the impression that it was Farrakhan alone — sans FBI involvement — who bore the ultimate guilt for the murder of Malcolm X. A complementary explanation is posthumous character assassination, a routine FBI/CIA tactic (cf. Ludlow Massacre, Jim Morrison, and Judi Bari entries in this encyclopedia).

- In 2013, Malcolm's grandson, Malcolm Shabazz, was murdered in Mexico under bizarre circumstances, while on a "tour to demand more rights for Mexican construction workers relocated to the USA."[441] Louis Farrakhan felt that this was a government operation: "We are not clear on what happened in Mexico. But you know, when the enemy wants to get rid of you, one of the best places and times to do it is when you are away from your base … we really should look at the hypocrisy of a government that would place the picture of Brother Malcolm on a stamp, as though they really 'admire him,' and there's been a 'change of heart,' and now they 'love the man' that they once loved to hate. And then at the same time as his picture is on a stamp, they worked to destroy the only remaining male member to carry on his legacy and his name."[442]

- In 2012, Malcolm's grandson alluded to his "own assassination in March when sharing the harassment he and his family have consistently received from the F.B.I:" "I had been informed that I was under investigation by the F.B.I.'s Counter Terrorism Task Force Unit located in Goshen, N.Y. The formula for a public assassination is: the character assassination before the physical assassination; so one has to be made killable before the eyes of the public in order for their eventual murder to then [be] deemed justifiable. And when the time arrives for these hits to be carried out you're not going to see a C.I.A. agent with a suit & tie, and a badge that says 'C.I.A.' walk up to someone, and pull the trigger. What they will do is to out-source to local police departments in the region of their target, and to employ those that look like the target of interest to infiltrate the workings in order to set up the environment for the eventual assassination (character, physical/incarceration, exile) to take place."

- Shabazz's last Facebook status — one day prior to his death — was a picture of "The Last Supper."

- Louis Farrakhan appears to be connected to the Malcolm X's murder in a variety of ways. Malcolm left the Nation of Islam (a severe blow to the prestige of the organization and to its recruitment efforts), and, after suffering severe vendettas from that organization, quipped about its head, Elijah Muhammad: "considered divine by many of his followers, a charlatan with an appetite for teen-age girls." Following this, the totalitarian-minded Farrakhan said: "Malcolm shall not escape. Such a man is worthy of death." Elsewhere, Farrakhan said: "If we dealt with [Malcolm] like a nation deals with a traitor, what the hell business is it of yours?"[443] And yet: Farrakhan was never charged or even interrogated for his outspoken complicity in the murder; in 2022, he is still leading a thriving organization!

- Thomas Hayer, one of Malcolm's alleged assassins, confessed to the murder, but signed an affidavit stating that the other two convicted assassins (who were not caught at the scene) were innocent. The two, moreover, have consistently maintained their innocence. Hayer named three other people as his collaborators. Also, FBI information released to the lawyer of the innocent two suggested that others were involved. Another witness said he hadn't seen either one of the two at the murder scene.[444] And yet, the two alleged assassins remained in prison after the affidavit was signed. Finally, by late 2021, a judge exonerated these two, "partly due to newly revealed FBI documents implicating their paid informants at the scene and cover-up regarding the actual assassins."[445]

- Malcolm's lawyer "and some Black Muslims have said that Malcolm X may have been killed by the police, the F.B.I. or both. They note that Malcolm X was under surveillance by the bureau, and that the F.B.I. tried to foster a feud between him and other members of the Nation of Islam years before they parted ways."[446]

- "The police knew of the threats on Malcolm X's life and watched him closely, ostensibly to protect him. The police had stationed themselves at the door to the Audubon Ballroom on the fateful day, but" … left.[447] (cf. Abraham Lincoln, this encyclopedia).

- Before dying, Raymond Wood, a former New York policeman, wrote a letter. To avoid "repercussions from the authorities," Wood instructed his family to publish the letter posthumously. That letter stated that "New York police and the FBI conspired in the murder of Malcolm X." Wood himself "was tasked with making sure that Malcolm X would have no door security in the building" on the day of his murder.[448]

- Attallah, Malcolm's daughter, believed that both Farrakhan and the FBI were culpable.[449]

License to kill?

No real efforts were ever made to find the real culprits, nor to answer the question: Who really was behind the murder of Malcolm X?

Cross references in this encyclopedia to CIA overseas assassination and harassment attempts: Leo Ryan, Paul Wellstone, Jonathan Moyle, Anson Ng, Phil Ochs.

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CHAPTER 6: ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES

Human beings and the natural world are on a collision course. — World Scientists' Warning to Humanity

Judi Bari, 1949-1997 (aged 47)**.**

Relevant positions: Environmental, social justice, peace, women's rights, and labor activist.

Official cause of death: Naturally-occurring breast cancer.

Grounds for murder?

- Judi Bari was the "principal organizer of Earth First! campaigns against logging in the ancient redwood forests of Northern California in the 1980s and 1990s."[450] "At the time of the car bombing that almost killed Bari, she and [Darryl] Cherney were organizing the Redwood Summer, a movement to stop lumber companies from clear-cutting old-growth redwoods in Northern California."[451]

- She started a chapter of the decimated (by the American Government) Industrial Workers of the World (Wobblies). She then organized efforts "to bring timber workers and environmentalists together in common cause,"[452] thus undermining the Invisible Government's divide and rule strategy.

Attempts to sideline, silence, smear, surveil, harass, incarcerate, and kill

- "Eight months before the bombing, Darryl, Judi, her children, and several others were run off the road, Karen Silkwood-style … They miraculously escaped serious injury, even though Judi's car was totaled. When she reported receiving a photo with a rifle cross-hairs

drawn over her face, a sheriff's sergeant told her he didn't have enough manpower to investigate. "If you turn up dead," he lied, "then we'll investigate."[453] (cf. Walter Liggett, this encyclopedia).

- Despite "her commitment to non-violent civil disobedience and her public disavowal of tree spiking, [the oligarch] media portrayed her as an obstructionist saboteur."[454]

- On May 24, 1990, in Oakland, California, the vehicle used by Bari and Darryl Cherney was blown up by a pipe bomb. Bari was severely injured by the blast, as the bomb was located under her seat; Cherney suffered minor injuries. Bari was arrested for transporting explosives while she was still in critical condition with a fractured pelvis and other major injuries. Barry recounted the event:

> A bomb exploded under the driver's seat of my car. Within minutes of the blast, the FBI and the Oakland Police Department moved in and arrested us on suspicion of carrying explosives. They lied outrageously, claiming that the bomb had been in the back seat, when their own photos showed clearly its location directly under me. We survived the blast, but I have been crippled for life. Neither the FBI nor the Oakland Police made any attempt to find our would-be assassins, but instead used the bombing as a pretext to begin an investigation of the environmental movement.[455] [cf. Arthur Caron, this Encyclopedia]

- The FBI immediately accused Bari and Cherney of knowingly carrying a bomb for use in an act of terrorism.

- "The FBI and Oakland police never tried to solve the crime, but continued their sham investigation by surveilling and harassing a wider group of environmental activists throughout California, pretending that all the clues lay within the community of their only suspects, Judi and Darryl. If they talked to anyone outside this community, it was only to try to get dirt on the environmentalists. The bomber(s), given a free pass by these police, are still out there."[456]

- "The rapid presence of FBI bomb investigators at the scene, virtually simultaneously with first responders from the Oakland Police Department, raised suspicion that the FBI knew about the bomb beforehand and might even have been responsible for the bomb." In Bari's words, it was as if the investigators were "waiting around the corner with their fingers in their ears."

- Although the "evidence pointed to the bomb being an anti-personnel device placed with the intent of killing the driver of Bari's car … the FBI investigation remained focused on the theory that the explosion was an accidental detonation of a device knowingly transported by Bari."[457]

- "After seven weeks of continual news stories citing repeated police claims that all evidence pointed to Bari and Cherney as culprits, the Alameda County District Attorney announced that he would not file any formal charges against the pair due to insufficient evidence

against them. Law enforcement agencies never followed through on the evidence that the bombing was an attempt on Bari's life and the crime would go unsolved."[458]

- Bari's wounds disabled her to the extent that she had to curtail her activities.

- "As the FBI's contention that the bombing was an accidental detonation was shown to be completely implausible in the face of physical evidence, the theory that the assailant was related to the FBI gained currency. Within a year of the bombing, Bari developed the theory that the bomber was an acquaintance of hers whom she suspected of being an FBI informant. The close resemblance of the May 24 bombing of Bari's car to 'crime scenes' fabricated by the FBI in a 'bomb school' held in redwood country earlier that year, as discovered during depositions for Bari's Civil Rights lawsuit in 1994, was taken by Bari and her followers as supporting evidence that the FBI was responsible for the bombing."[459]

- According to Judi, FBI Special Agent Frank Doyle was the bomb school instructor, and at least four of the law enforcement responders to the bombing were his students at the school.

- "Bari and Cherney had filed a federal civil rights suit claiming that the FBI and police officers falsely arrested the pair and attempted to frame them as terrorists so as to discredit their political organizing in defense of the redwood forests … In 2002 [five years after Bari's death], a jury in Bari's and Cherney's federal civil lawsuit found that their civil rights had been violated. As part of the jury's verdict, the judge ordered" [three] FBI agents and three Oakland police officers to pay a total of $4.4 million to Cherney and to Bari's estate.... The award was a response to the defendants' violation of the plaintiffs' First Amendment rights to freedom of speech and freedom of assembly, and for the defendants' various unlawful acts, including unlawful search and seizure in violation of the plaintiff's Fourth Amendment rights. At trial the FBI and the Oakland Police pointed fingers at each other."[460]

- "This evidence supported the jury's finding that both the FBI and the Oakland Police persecuted Bari and Cherney for being bombed instead of trying to find the true perpetrators in order to discredit and sabotage Earth First! and the upcoming Redwood Summer, thereby violating their First Amendment rights and justifying the large award. Simply, instead of looking for the actual assailant, they persecuted the victims of the attack because of their political activism."[461]

- "After the trial's gag order was lifted, jurors made it clear they believed the agents were blatant liars. 'Investigators were lying so much it was insulting … I'm surprised that they seriously expected anyone would believe them … They were evasive. They were arrogant. They were defensive,' said juror Mary Nunn."[462]

- In 2005, fifteen years after the bombing, someone financed a paid-for hatchet-job, a sham biography, of Judi Bari. The book author "publicly admitted that she was recruited and paid to write her book, in which she attempts to discredit Judi, Earth First! and the whole

radical environmental movement."[463] (cf. Ludlow Massacre, Jim Morrison, Malcolm X, this encyclopedia).

- Judi looked back:

> The FBI files show that no legitimate search for the bomber was ever conducted. Instead, the FBI used this case as an excuse to investigate environmentalists and their associates, both locally and nationally, in a sweeping campaign reminiscent of the 1950's red scare.[464]

License to kill?

The government engaged in cover-up operations and arrested the victims of violence — instead of its perpetrators.

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Matt Simmons, 1943-2010 (aged 67).

Relevant positions: Author; former energy adviser to U.S. President George W. Bush; a member of the Council on Foreign Relations; investment banker.

Official cause of death: "Found dead in his home after supposedly drowning after apparently suffering from" a spontaneous heart attack.[465]

Grounds for murder?

- "Simmons had been gaining popularity as a whistle blower for blaming BP [British Petroleum] for its covered-up responsibility in defacing and vandalizing the Gulf of Mexico while hiding the truth from the general public."[466]

- "What Simmons is suggesting is that BP has carried out a monumental sleight-of-hand. And if the Obama administration and Congress are aware of this fact, then they are complicit in the magic show — a magic show designed to minimize fallout from a leaking vent that has turned the Gulf of Mexico seabed into a lake of oil."[467]

- Owing to his insider status, Simmons' comments and views about the 2010 British Petroleum oil disaster in the Gulf of Mexico and subsequent BP and government pronouncements and criminal actions were not given the usual silent treatment by the media.

- The BP oil spill, said Simmons, was "the biggest cover-up we have ever seen."[468]

- Talking about that disaster, Simmons warned: "If it were my family I'd evacuate now, while you still have time."[469]

- He said that "the relief wells and the capping process … are publicity stunts and that the real vent is up to ten miles (16 km) away."[470]

- "Matt called the claims that only 5,000 barrels of oil were leaking preposterous and instead conjectured there must be at least … 120,000 barrels of oil per [day] leaking into the Gulf."[471]

- "Matt Simmons also revealed that NOAA [National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S.] ships discovered a huge underwater plume of oil at 1100 meters below the surface which could possibly cover up to 40% of the Gulf of Mexico at a time when NOAA and the federal government were publicly denying the existence of underwater plumes of oil."[472]

- "After BP capped the leaking well, Matt stood by his earlier claims that the well being shown the public is a fake and BP has a second well leaking in the Gulf."[473]

- There is no question that BP, the Pentagon, and the Obama administration, benefited from a silenced Matt Simmons.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "The number one suspect for assassinating Matt Simmons is the CIA because under the rule of the Obama administration the CIA now has the ability to add anyone, including American citizens deemed as threat to national security on what is known as the kill list. Being placed on the kill list means the CIA can assassinate you anywhere in the world without even having to publicly make a complaint against you."[474]

- According to a 2010 BP report, the Halliburton Corporation bears some responsibility for the disaster.[475] Former CEO of Halliburton and then vice-president of the USA Dick Cheney's net worth … [had been] "largely derived from his post at Halliburton."[476] Cheney, in turn, is no stranger to the assassination business: As vice-president, he was running "an executive assassination ring."[477]

- By 2011, there were at least nine "dead / jailed / missing scientists & individuals affiliated with the BP oil disaster"[478]

License to kill?

Despite so many questions about this case, despite the obvious motive of some powerful corporations and people to silence Matt Simmons, despite the fact that a former CEO of one of those corporations is known to have had an "executive assassination ring," despite the fact that Simmons was, until then, a fairly high-ranking establishment figure, despite so many other convenient deaths, the government never investigated foul play.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to bathtub deaths: Danny Casolaro, Jim Morrison.

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CHAPTER 7: SINGERS-SONGWRITERS

The music industry of the Vietnam period was the binding force of a cultural revolution. Music and the politics of the Left were one. — Alex Constantine[479]

Why murder musical celebrities?

The Invisible Government created a materialistic, semi-literate culture, where most people (including compartmentalized intellectuals) are incurious about such consequential matters as wealth inequality or the wide use of deadly pesticides. The televised, social-"mediaized" victims have been trained to worship the Invisible Government's manufactured celebrities. Such celebrities, in our upside-down cultural hierarchy, enjoy tremendous prestige. This, of course, is an artificial construct, meant to confuse people about who their real heroes are. In ancient Greece, for example, the celebrities were athletes, not flute girls. In traditional Hindu culture, musicians were often untouchable.

Phil Ochs explains the power of musical idols in our CIA-manufactured cultural desert: "If a revolution were ever to be possible in the United States, it would require Elvis Presley to become Che Guevara."[480] At times, the Invisible Government allows such celebrities to reach old age — provided they play by its rules. However, when they tell truth to power, it always harasses and often kills them.

How then does the Invisible Government conduct its war on famous musicians and other cultural celebrities?

1. Like the British and French colonialists that preceded it, the US/UK support the drug trade as a way of controlling their own populations and their colonies. Drugs are particularly useful in the destruction of influential musicians who have the potential to derail US imperial wars or to demand greater social justice.

2. "There have been Congressional testimonies from C.I.A. operatives who admitted, without providing details or names, that they have 'driven some of these musicians to their deaths.' They admitted they had performed surveillance, mail openings, phone taps. The main musicians of the period reported being followed by the F.B.I. John Lennon went on national television and complained he couldn't leave the house without being followed by FBI operatives."[481]

3. Operation Chaos, according to Invisible Government sources, involved a covert war against dissidents. In 1969, the operation began developing its own network of informants.[482] According to a 1976 Senate report, the FBI's techniques against dissidents involved the following:

> Gather information on their immorality.... Explore every possible embarrassment. Send in women and sex, break up marriages. Have members arrested on marijuana charges. Investigate personal conflicts or animosities between them. Send articles to the newspapers showing their depravity. Use narcotics and free sex to entrap. Use misinformation to confuse and disrupt. Get records of their bank accounts. Obtain specimens of handwriting. Provoke target groups into rivalries that may result in death.[483]

"In the ideological dialogue," said outgoing Guatemalan president in 1951 about American efforts to re-introduce fascism to his country, "the real winner of World War II was Hitler."[484] The paragraph above — and this encyclopedia as a whole — prove him right.

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Bobby Darin, 1936-1973 (aged 37)**.**

Relevant positions: Singer-songwriter, instrumentalist, actor.

Official cause of death: Failed heart surgery.

Grounds for murder?

- "During the 1960s, [Darin] became more politically active and worked on Robert F. Kennedy's Democratic presidential campaign. He was present on the night of June 4/5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles at the time of ... Kennedy's assassination."[485]

- "In 1969, Darin started … putting out folk and protest music." One such song is his "Simple Song of Freedom:"

Come and sing a simple song of freedom
Sing it like you've never sung before
Let it fill the air
Tell the people everywhere
We, the people here, don't want a war.
...
Seven hundred million are ya listenin'?
Most of what you read is made of lies
But speakin' one to one, ain't it everybody's sun
To wake to in the mornin' when we rise?
Come and sing a simple song of freedom ...
Now, no doubt some folks enjoy doin' battle
Like presidents, prime ministers, and kings
So let's all build them shelves
Where they can fight among themselves
Leave the people be who love to sing
Come and sing a simple song of freedom ...
Got to have freedom, oh yes.

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"Although there's no evidence that Darin, who died in 1973 at age 37, was gay, FBI agents scared him into talking to them when they told the stunned singer they'd found some of his monogrammed clothing in the blackmailers' possession. The Ex-husband of actress Sandra

Dee, Darin was grilled by agents in his trailer at Universal Studios in Hollywood. He denied any involvement and claimed the blackmailers must have gotten his clothing after he'd donated it to charity." According to the FBI, Darin was 'traumatized' by the interview, knowing what the gay charges could do to his public image.[486]

Evidence suggesting that the Invisible Government was not involved

Bobby wasn't "expected to live past his 16th birthday."[487] "Beginning at age eight, [Darin] was stricken with recurring bouts of rheumatic fever that left him with a seriously weakened heart. During his first heart surgery, in January 1971, he had two artificial valves implanted in his heart. He spent most of that year recovering from the surgery. During the last few years of his life, he was often administered oxygen during and after his performances on stage and screen."[488]

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Brian Jones, 1942-1969 (aged 27).

Relevant positions: Founder and original leader of the Rolling Stones; singer-songwriter, instrumentalist.

Official cause of death: "Drowning in the swimming pool at his home."[489]

Grounds for murder?

- "The establishment was fearful of Jones' influence over the nation's youth."[490]

- "Multi-instrumentalist Brian Jones, who founded the Rolling Stones, was the most publicly outspoken band member against British war policies supporting the U.S. in Vietnam, and as such, a prime target for MI6 and the rest of British intelligence."[491]

- Commenting on one of their 1968 songs (in which Jones played sitar and tamboura), Mick Jagger said: "The radio stations that banned the song told me that 'Street Fighting Man' was subversive. 'Of course it's subversive,' we said. It's stupid to think you can start a revolution with a record. I wish you could!"[492]

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- Jones was arrested for drug possession in 1967 and a second time in 1968, "for possession of cannabis, which he said had been left by previous tenants of the flat."[493]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Bandmate Keith Richards said: "I've seen Brian swim in terrible conditions, in the sea with breakers … he was a goddamn good swimmer, and it's very hard to believe he could have died in a swimming pool."[494]

- Nicholas Fitzgerald, a close friend of Jones, described what he saw that night, when he returned to Jones' house: Fitzgerald and a friend "came to a spot where they could see the pool and saw three men who looked like workmen, overseeing the drowning of a man. One had his hand on the swimmer's head while another commanded a third man to jump on the swimmer's back. The commanding man then ordered another man to jump in and help hold the swimmer under the water. Another woman and man watched. The man being drowned was Brian Jones. Suddenly, a large man came out of the bushes and said, 'Get the hell out of here, Fitzgerald, or you'll be the next.' Fitzgerald also couldn't understand how this stranger knew his name, unless he was part of a spy ring watching Jones. Fitzgerald further said he was too scared to tell police or anyone else until he published his account in a book years later."[495] Another man present at Jones' house at the time corroborated Fitzgerald's account.

- Government harassment led Jones to decay, "physically, mentally and musically."[496]

- The drug supplier to the band "admitted he was connected to the CIA.... During this time, the CIA and British Intelligence were in the process of bringing LSD into England and were actively trying to introduce the drug to musicians."[497]

- In his 1994 book *Brian Jones: Who Killed Christopher Robin*?, writer Terry Rawlings stated that Jones "was definitely murdered and there was a cover-up." Jones died following an evening during which he played host to a group of guests that included a contractor named Frank Thorogood. Thorogood confessed to the deed on his deathbed, and another person present that night confirmed his account.[498] Witnesses have corroborated Thorogood's story, claiming that Thorogood and two others held Jones underwater in the rock star's swimming pool until Jones had drowned. Four eye-witnesses.... kept quiet for years because they were threatened either by Thorogood or his accomplices. In 1999, [Anna] Wohlin wrote a book, *The Murder of Brian Jones*, where she describes how Jones was murdered and how Thorogood coerced her into remaining silent."[499]

- You might wonder, why would four witnesses betray their comrade and say nothing out of fear of a construction worker? Wouldn't that worker be placed behind bars once he was charged? Couldn't they get police protection or go into hiding? Well, there are two organizations you cannot, ever, hide from. The mainstream media, in one of its gaining-credibility stunts, explains who had his fingers in this messy pie:

> The drugs raid on a party at guitarist Keith Richards's Sussex home, Redlands, more than 40 years ago very nearly destroyed the band. And one of the 1967 episode's unexplained mysteries was the identity of the man blamed by Richards and Mick Jagger for setting them up, a young drug dealer known as the Acid

> King. He was a guest at the party – and supplied the drugs – but vanished after the raid, never to be seen or heard of again. Jagger and Richards were arrested and jailed for possession of cannabis and amphetamines, though later acquitted on appeal. Richards claimed last week in his autobiography, *Life*, that the Acid King was a police informant called David Sniderman. The truth appears to confirm Richards's long-held belief that the band was targeted by an Establishment fearful of its influence over the nation's youth. The *Mail* on Sunday can reveal that Sniderman was a Toronto-born failed actor who told his family and friends he was recruited by British and American intelligence as part of a plot to discredit the group. After the Redlands bust, he slipped out of Britain and moved to the States where he changed his name to David Jove, and lived in Hollywood, later working as a small-time producer and film-maker.[500]

- How did the CIA and MI5 get David Sniderman (or Jove) to collaborate? As in so many other infiltration cases, the answer is simple: blackmail. Here is the mainstream again. David

> was caught carrying pot by Customs. 'Some other guys turned up – he implied they were MI5 or MI6 – and they gave him an ultimatum: he'd get out of prison time if he set up the Stones.' The British agents were in cahoots, he told Miss Abbott, with the FBI's notorious Counterintelligence division, known as Cointelpro, which specialised in discrediting American groups deemed to be 'subversive'.[501]

- "The failure of police to detain the party members and investigate this as a murder, as well as the media cover-up of eyewitnesses' immediate accounts of a drowning, suggests this was an MI6 operation. MI6 has similar, though lesser, control over British media as its CIA counterpart's over American."[502]

- "Ernest Hemingway's longtime editor, A. E. Hotchner wrote *Blown Away: The Rolling Stones and the Death of the Sixties*. In that book, Hotchner revealed that as part of their MK-Ultra operation, the CIA sent agent Robert Lashbrook to London in 1965 with spies, funds and LSD to give the drug to many British musicians.... *Blown Away* further revealed how when Brian Jones began sobering up in 1969, and threatened to further his anti-Vietnam War activism (like Jagger), he was killed. Hotchner reported that, shortly before his murder, Jones had gained confirmations from his friends John Lennon and Jimi Hendrix about forming a new group. Similar to Jones, Lennon opposed the war and died after he sobered up, in 1980."[503]

- "This pairing of socialist John Lennon, with the increasingly politically radical Jimi Hendrix and Jones, would have been a British and U.S. intelligence nightmare because of the bandmates' universal appeal and leftist political influence."[504] (Hendrix was probably murdered in 1970, aged 27; Lennon in 1980, aged 40). "The murder of Lennon and Jones revealed a pattern that applies to many political musicians. U.S. and British intelligence manipulated musicians to start using drugs to promote them to masses of young activists and potential activists. Then, when these musicians started sobering up and getting more into activism, evidence supported that intelligence murdered many of them."[505]

License to kill?

Despite numerous confessions, eye-witness watertight proofs of murder, and Jones' popularity, the UK government has shown no interest in bringing the perpetrators to justice.

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Luke Kelly, 1940-1984 (aged 43).

I've traveled round this country
From shore to shining shore.
It really made me wonder
The things I heard and saw.

I saw the weary farmer,
Plowing sod and loam;
I heard the auction hammer
A knocking down his home.

But the banks are made of marble,
With a guard at every door,
And the vaults are stuffed with silver,
That the farmer sweated for.

I saw the seaman standing
Idly by the shore.
I heard the bosses saying,
Got no work for you no more.

But the banks are made of marble,
With a guard at every door,
And the vaults are stuffed with silver,
That the seaman sweated for.

I saw the weary miner,
Scrubbing coal dust from his back,I saw the weary miner,
I heard his children cryin',
Got no coal to heat the shack.

But the banks are made of marble,
With a guard at every door,
And the vaults are stuffed with silver,
That the miner sweated for.

I've seen my brothers working
Throughout this mighty land;
I prayed we'd get together,
And together make a stand.

Then we'd own those banks of marble,
With a guard at every door;
And we'd share those vaults of silver,
That we have sweated for. — Les Rice, 1948, "Banks are Made of Marble"

Relevant positions: Folk singer; actor; founding-member of *The Dubliners*, political activist.

Official cause of death: Naturally-occurring brain tumor.

Grounds for murder?

- Luke Kelly was a prominent member of *The Dubliners*, a musical group "at the top of the Irish and international commercial folk scene."[506]

- "Kelly was keenly political, a member of the Communist Party."[507]

- Kelly started his career by touring, singing, and "selling the Connolly Association's newspaper, *The Irish Democrat*." Among other things, the Connolly Association worked actively for a United Ireland (that is, wrenching Northern Ireland from the United Kingdom), for workers' rights, and peace.

- In 1966, Kelly appeared on the election platform of what would later become the Communist Party of Ireland. It was "a very brave public stand to make for an entertainer whose bread and butter depended on public favour."[508]

- Kelly "venerated the plight of the worker in the midst of what he saw as a corrupt and greedy capitalist system."[509]

- In the repertoire of *The Dubliners,* Kelly sang and recorded songs like "Joe Hill", "There's A Valley in Spain", "The Banks are Made of Marble" (see above), and other songs of the revolutionary workers' movement.[510] "He would sing songs about social issues such as Irish nationalism, worker's rights, war and the arms race.... Kelly remained idealistic throughout his life."[511]

- Kelly was active in the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.

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- "Ireland's national broadcaster RTÉ had placed an unofficial ban on [The Dubliners'] music from 1967 to 1971."[512]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "His father — also named Luke — was shot and severely wounded as a child by British soldiers during the 1914 Bachelor's Walk massacre."[513]

- Another member of *The Dubliners,* Ciarán Bourke, died at age 53 of a brain aneurysm.

- Two Dublin statues depicting Luke Kelly were repeatedly vandalized.[514]

- For centuries, English oligarchs perpetrated the Irish holocaust, leading to the needless deaths of millions.[515] The conduct of the English, "was literally a war of extermination. The slaughter of Irishmen was looked upon as literally the slaughter of wild beasts. Not only the men, but even the women and children who fell into the hands of the English, were deliberately and systematically butchered. Bands of soldiers traversed great tracts of the country, slaying every living thing they met. The sword was not found sufficiently expeditious, but another method proved much more efficacious. Year after year, over a great part of Ireland, all means of human subsistence were destroyed, no quarter was given to prisoners who surrendered, and the whole population was skillfully and steadily starved to death."[516] So, would the spiritual descendants of these butchers have qualms about murdering one troublesome Irishman?

License to kill?

It doesn't seem to have even occurred to the Irish police that Luke Kelly and Ciarán Bourke might have been deliberately poisoned by British intelligence services and their Irish counterparts.

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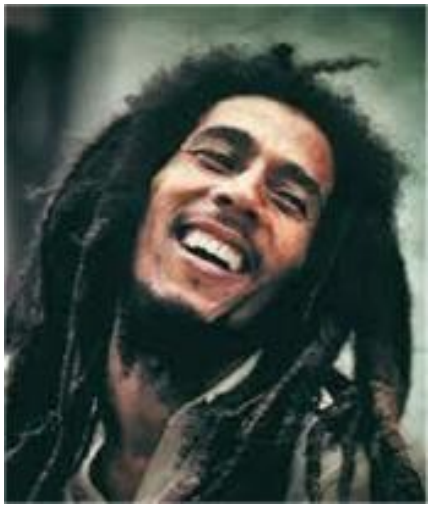
Bob Marley, 1945-1981 (aged 36)



Emancipate yourselves from mental slavery. None but ourselves can free our minds. — Marcus Garvey, (paraphrased in Bob Marley's "Redemption Song")

> *Better to die fighting for freedom than be a prisoner all the days of your life.* — Bob Marley

Relevant positions: Singer-songwriter; political activist.

Official cause of death: Contracted naturally-occurring cancer after injuring his toe in a 1977 soccer game.[517]

Grounds for murder?

- Marley enjoyed a worldwide reputation and was one of the best selling artists of all time.[518]

- The CIA certainly had reasons for wanting to kill Marley. "For one, Marley's highly charged message music made him an important figure that the rest of the world was beginning to notice. It was an influence that was hard to ignore, least of all because everywhere you went you saw middle- and upper-class white people sprouting dreadlocks, smoking spliffs and adopting the Rastafarian lifestyle. This sort of thing didn't sit well with traditionalists and authoritarian types."[519]

- Dave Thompson explains why our ruling psychopaths had to kill Marley:

> Bob Marley ranks among both the most popular and the most misunderstood figures in modern culture … That the machine has utterly emasculated Marley is beyond doubt. Gone from the public record is the ghetto kid who dreamed of Che Guevara and the Black Panthers, and pinned their posters up in the Wailers Soul Shack record store; who believed in freedom; and the fighting which it necessitated, and dressed the part on an early album sleeve; whose heroes were James Brown and Muhammad Ali; whose God was Ras Tafari and whose sacrament was marijuana. Instead, the Bob Marley who surveys his kingdom today is smiling benevolence, a shining sun, a waving palm tree, and a string of hits which tumble out of polite radio like candy from a gumball machine. Of course it has assured his immortality. But it has also demeaned him beyond recognition. Bob Marley was worth far more.[520] [In passing, the same trivialization process has been applied to Jesus of Nazareth, Mohandas Gandhi, Woody Guthrie, Martin Luther King Jr., John Lennon ...]

- "In response to the fascistic machinations of the CIA, Marley wove his lyrics into a revolutionary crucifix to ward off the cloak-and-dagger [CIA] 'vampires' descending upon the island" of Jamaica.[521]

- "Stories appeared in the local, regional and international press downsizing the achievements of the quasi-socialist Jamaican government under Prime Minister Michael Manley.... [By] June 1976, Prime Minister Manley's People's National Party [PNP] asked the Wailers to play at the Smile Jamaica concert in December. Despite the rising political mayhem, Marley agreed to perform."[522]

- "Manley's PNP government, in power since 1972, had annoyed the bauxite companies, Washington and large swathes of local elite opinion with its leftist reforms and friendliness to Cuba. Manley blamed a rise in political shootouts and some of the country's economic setbacks on a covert destabilisation campaign, and the Americans were widely understood — thanks partly to the writings of Philip Agee, a CIA whistleblower — to be shipping arms and money to" Manley's opponent.[523]

- Marley used to talk "about the iniquity of the black Jamaican poor shooting one another up for the local oligarchy's benefit."[524]

- He was inspired by Marcus Garvey (see entry in this encyclopedia), "and had anti-imperialist and pan-Africanist themes in many of his songs."

- Marley was the kind of man the Invisible Government abhors most: Influential, idealistic, aware, incensed, and an untiring fighter for justice. The seven-man attempt on his life (see below) was thought to have been politically motivated, as many felt the concert was really a support rally for Manley. Nonetheless, the concert proceeded, and an injured Marley performed as scheduled, two days after the attempt. When asked why, Marley responded, "The people who are trying to make this world worse aren't taking a day off. How can I?"[525] The Wailers appeared … despite their wounds, to perform one long, defiant anthem of rage directed at the CIA — suggesting the Wailers' own attitude toward the 'Vampires' from Langley:[526]

  Until the ignoble and unhappy regimes
  That now hold our brothers
  In Angola, in Mozambique,
  South Africa
  In subhuman bondage
  Have been toppled,
  Utterly destroyed,
  Everywhere is war.

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- Following the Wailers' defiant concert for Manley, a seven-man[527] professional assassination squad broke into Marley's house and shot those present, including Bob, his wife, and manager Don Taylor.[528]

- "There has since been widespread belief that the CIA arranged the hit."[529] As in each and every CIA operation, the actual gunmen were never caught.

- During his time in London, Marley was arrested and convicted for possessing a small quantity of cannabis.[530]

- "The CIA had threatened to kill Bob Marley."[531]

- While the band prepared for that defiant concert, "Carl Colby, son of the late CIA director William Colby," arranged to deliver a gift to Marley — a pair of boots. According to one observer, "Marley's cancer can be traced to the boots: 'He put his foot in and said, 'Ow!' … A friend said, 'let's [get] in the boot, and he pulled a length of copper wire out – it was embedded in the boot."[532]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "Many of the CIA's files on Bob Marley remain classified to the present day."[533]

- According to Jamaican novelist Marlon James, the CIA was involved in Jamaican politics (against Manley) during the attempt to kill Marley and his associates at his home.[534] Also, as often is the case, one of Marley's close associates was a CIA man.[535]

- Peter Tosh, Marley's partner, was shot to death in 1987. "Like Marley, Peter Tosh found the bloodshed and hypocrisy of death squad justice and CIA covert ops in the Third World unbearable. He was so obsessed with hidden evil and the upswell of violence in Jamaica that they visited him in his sleep."[536]

- Jacob Miller, another popular Jamaican reggae musician and the lead singer of the group Inner Circle, who accompanied Marley on a visit to Brazil in March 1980, died (aged 27), along with his son, allegedly in a car accident on his return home to Jamaica, March 23, 1980.[537]

License to kill?

Despite a previous attempt on Marley's life, despite his fame, despite continuous CIA harassment, despite the "accidental" death of fellow Jamaican musicians Peter Tosh and Jacob Miller a year earlier, the captive Jamaican government never investigated the possibility of murder.

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Jim Morrison, 1943-1971 (aged 27).

Relevant positions: Popular singer-songwriter, instrumentalist, poet, film-maker, actor.

Official cause of death: Heart attack in a bathtub, caused by accidental heroin overdose.[538] Location: rented apartment, Paris, France.

Grounds for murder?

- "Morrison is regarded … as one of the most iconic and influential frontmen in rock music history." In the later part of the 20th century, "he was one of popular culture's most rebellious and oft-displayed icons, representing the generation gap and youth counterculture."

- In 1967, Morrison said: "I like ideas about the breaking away or overthrowing of established order. I am interested in anything about revolt, disorder, chaos — especially activity that seems to have no meaning. It seems to me to be the road toward freedom — external revolt is a way to bring about internal freedom."[539]

- "He was guilty of being Jim Morrison, a larger-than-life symbol of rebellion to the youth of America, and thereby a threat."

- "Jim was certainly popular enough, and more threateningly, smart enough to cause the powers that be ample reason to take some sort of action to prevent his subversive influence. Surely the authorities were wary of him."[540]

- Morrison "believed records could serve the same purpose that books and printed manifestos had in earlier revolutions."[541]

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- French intelligence services — working probably on the orders of the CIA — tried to assassinate Jim Morrison in Paris.[542]

- Jim Morrison was "driven to desperation by constant FBI harassment. FBI harassment, in fact, rendered Morrison so anxiety-ridden that he contracted an ulcer by his mid-'20s."

- Doors' organist Ray Manzarek: "There was plenty of hounding … The vice squad would be at the side of the stage with our names filled in on the warrants, just waiting to write in

the offense. Narks to the left, vice squad to the right, into the valley of death rode the four … They wanted to stop Morrison. They wanted to show him that he couldn't get away with it."

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Following his death, there was no autopsy — "the normal procedure when a young person dies suddenly."[543]

- "Beyond the basic death certificate, the lack of documentation about Morrison's death is startling. 'Much of it is currently locked away because of official secrecy,' said a spokesman for France's National Archive."[544]

- Jim's "other half," present at the death scene, and inheritor of his fortune, Pamela Courson, died in 1974, aged 27, allegedly of heroin overdose.[545]

- After killing, the Invisible Government often relies on posthumous attempts to diminish the popular appeal of their victim (cf. "Ludlow Massacre," "Judi Bari"). In this case, a book appeared suggesting that Morrison was bisexual. However, "the remaining three members of the band, his former friends, and many others that knew him said the book … is spreading the lie that he was bisexual or homosexual."[546]

License to kill?

Neither the French government, nor the American, has ever conducted a genuine investigation of the case.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to bathtub deaths: Danny Casolaro, Matt Simmons.

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Phil Ochs, 1940-1976 (aged 35).

Can't be singing louder than the guns when I'm gone, So I guess I'll have to do it while I'm here. — Phil Ochs

Relevant positions: Revolutionary singer-songwriter; instrumentalist.

Official cause of death: Committed suicide by hanging himself in his sister's home.[547]

Grounds for murder?

- "Phil Ochs was an even greater threat … to the U.S. imperialists. In his early songs he defended Castro's Cuba and the Vietnamese liberation fighters against the imperialistic designs of Washington. His songs became more and more pointed. 'White Boots Marching in a Yellow Land,' 'Santo Domingo,' 'United Fruit' (where he approves of 'young men going to the mountains to learn the way of the rifle instead of slaving at pitiful wages for the American exploiters.') But it was 'Cops of the World' with such lines as 'here's a kick in the ass, boys,' and 'clean your johns with your flag' because 'we're the cops of the world,' and 'Ringing of Revolution' where he looks forward to the destruction of the last vestiges of the desperate decaying ruling class by the exploited masses, which really stuck like a bone in the throat of the U.S. imperialists."[548]

- "A special threat was the wide circulation of Phil's songs abroad. Books containing materials about him and his work were published in Spain, France, and other countries. The Spanish book reprinted 'Cops Of The World' for its example of an Ochs song and the author likened Phil's guitar to a machine gun. The first edition sold out so quickly, mainly to students, that the Franco regime did not have time to suppress it, as it did any further reprintings. Individuals and groups sang his songs in Japan, Scandinavia, Holland, W. Germany and many other countries."

- "The FBI considered him 'potentially dangerous' [even] after his death."[549]

- "Phil Ochs' poetic pronouncements were part of a larger effort to galvanize his generation into taking action to prevent war, racism, and poverty."

- "Throughout his career, Ochs would perform at a wide range of venues, including civil rights rallies, anti-war demonstrations, and concert halls."

- "He was profoundly concerned with the escalation of the Vietnam War, performing tirelessly at anti-war rallies across the country."

- At the trial of the Chicago Seven in December 1969, Ochs testified for the defense.

- Following the CIA-engineered overthrow of President Allende of Chile, Ochs' personal friend, singer Victor Jara, was publicly tortured and killed. "Jara was destroyed in a bestial fashion when the C.I.A.-Ford-Kissinger-sponsored Chilean fascists overthrew Allende in 1973. The police smashed Victor's hands with their rifle butts, gave him his guitar and taunted 'Now play and sing.' Then they murdered him."[550] In direct defiance of the Invisible Government, Ochs "organized a benefit concert to bring to public attention the situation in Chile and [to] raise funds for the people of Chile."[551]

- "When Phil came back to New York last summer [in 1975] he was still full of plans.... He planned to set up what he called Barricade House, where he would issue a newspaper, record protest singers and make films. He already had the building picked out in SoHo."[552]

- It is doubtful that the CIA appreciated Ochs impudence: Speaking of CIA Director William Colby, formerly director of the murderous Phoenix program in Vietnam, Ochs said: "I put out a contract on Colby for a hundred thousand dollars."[553]

- "His lyrics were considered so inflammatory that he was banned from the airwaves."

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- "On an African trip he was set upon by three thugs who paid special attention to crushing his voice box. Again the participation of the C.I.A. seemed unmistakably obvious. He came home barely able to croak and could never again sing like in the old days."[554] Naturally, the muggers who quashed his career have never been identified.[555] "The attack also exacerbated his growing mental problems, and he became increasingly paranoid. Ochs believed the attack may have been arranged by government agents."[556]

- "Years after his death, it was revealed that the FBI had a file of nearly 500 pages on Ochs."

- "It was naïve on Phil's part to think when he undertook several jaunts in the early seventies to foreign nations that he would be treated like an ordinary tourist. He was met at two South American airports by police who arrested him, jailed him overnight and deported him the next day. From recent revelations it becomes obvious that the local authorities were acting under orders from the C.I.A."[557]

- In 1971, following a concert at a political rally, Phil was arrested for a brief period in Uruguay (then an American protectorate), sent to Argentina (another protectorate), arrested, and deported to Bolivia (another protectorate). The CIA goal was to have Ochs and his companion detained and killed. They were saved by a good Samaritan captain, who barred the CIA-backed stooges from boarding the plane, and took the pair to Peru. Fearful of arrest, Ochs returned to the USA a few days later.[558]

- His music was blacklisted and he believed he would be assassinated.[559]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "The name Phil Ochs was listed on Hoover's Security Index, a catalogue of 'subversives' considered a threat to national defense. He was tarred as a 'Communist.' The fear, the 'paranoia' that had gripped Brian Jones, Jimi Hendrix, and other ill-fated musicians before him took hold. His friend John Berendt recalls that Ochs was 'convinced he would be assassinated, probably onstage. Once, while he was waiting in the wings in Baltimore, the performer ahead of him dropped his guitar on the floor with a bang. Ochs ducked, positive the shooting had begun.'"[560]

- "In Hong Kong, tagging along on a lecture tour with underground cartoonist Ron Cobb in 1971, Ochs returned to his hotel room to find that it had been forcibly entered and all of his cash stolen. Ochs was convinced the CIA had robbed him to prevent his entry to Vietnam, the ultimate destination of Cobb's tour, and had no choice but to catch the next flight back to the States on an American Express card."

- "It is indicative of the depth of the brainwashing to which the American people have been systematically subjected that too many of them accept Phil Ochs' death as a not too uncommon breakdown of a personality. But the accumulated facts raise more than a suspicion that a plot existed leading to his deliberate destruction. Let us look at some of these facts which would impel the reactionary, fascist-type U.S. imperialists to reach the decision that Phil Ochs must die."[561]

- "People ask us what motivation would the F.B.I.-C.I.A. have in wanting to see Phil dead when he could no longer sing or write. We answer that this was their motivation: Phil still had tremendous organizing ability, as witness his organizing the Chilean benefit. Barricade House would have been a great threat to the ruling class. We can visualize the F.B.I. doing one of their infamous psychological profiles on Phil Ochs. They asked the computer, what is his greatest weakness? The computer spat back: ALCOHOL! The next step of the F.B.I. is to assign agents to exploit this weakness in their intended victim; I would be very suspicious of the 'friends' who attached themselves to Phil and kept plying him with alcoholic drinks."[562]

- "I am afraid we didn't take too seriously Phil's daily insistence that the C.I.A. and F.B.I., and later with the collaboration of Mafia hit men, were out to murder him. He sought a place to hide and tried to hire a bodyguard; he carried an iron bar, big scissors and other means with which to defend his life."

- Alex Constantine believes that "it's very probable that Ochs did, in fact, end his life" — a suicide caused by years-long government persecution."[563]

License to kill?

No one was ever brought to justice for either driving Phil to suicide — or killing him.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to "paranoia:" Friends and relatives of Ernest Hemingway, Richard Wright, and Philip Marshall also accused these dissidents of paranoia and closed their minds to obvious, constant, harassment: "Sometimes," novelist William S. Burroughs said, "paranoia is just having all the facts."

Cross references in this encyclopedia to CIA overseas assassination and harassment attempts: Leo Ryan, Paul Wellstone, Jonathan Moyle, Anson Ng, Malcolm X, Malcolm Shabazz.

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CHAPTER 8: OTHER VICTIMS

Our national life is on every side distinctly poorer, uglier, meaner, for the kind of influence [John D. Rockefeller Sr.] exercises. — Ida Tarbell

Arthur Caron, 1883-1914 (aged 30) **(**died along with: Carl Hanson and Charles Berg**).**

Relevant positions: Civil engineer;[564] although "homeless and penniless himself, spent the greater part of his time helping other unfortunates."[565] Arthur Caron was a member of the Industrial Workers of the World and a participant in the peaceful demonstration in front of J. D. Rockefeller Jr.'s house in Tarrytown, NY, protesting the Rockefellers' role in the Ludlow Massacre.

Official cause of death

- "Caron masterminded an attempt to assassinate John D. Rockefeller, using a bomb constructed from dynamite. While building the device, he was killed along with Carl Hanson and Charles Berg on July 4, 1914 when their bomb prematurely exploded. The blast also killed a renter of the building who was not part of the plot and injured dozens of others."[566] (cf. "Judi Bari.")

- A July 1914 article in *The New York Times* was titled: "Exploded in apartment occupied by Tarrytown disturbers. Only one escaped alive." "A large quantity of dynamite, which the police and certain friends of the leaders of the I. W. W. [Industrial Workers of the World or Wobblies] believe was being made into a bomb to be used in blowing up John D. Rockefeller's Tarrytown home, exploded prematurely at 9:16 o'clock in the upper story or on the roof of the new seven-story model tenement house at 1,626 Lexington Avenue."

Grounds for murder? (See historical background below.)

- By framing and killing the three demonstrators, the Rockefellers would terminate an annoying peaceful demonstration in Tarrytown, a New York City suburb and the principal residence of J. D. Rockefeller Jr.

- This explosion would imply that protesters in both Ludlow and Tarrytown were incompetent, violent, scum deserving scandal-mongering, severe physical abuse, and death.

- Thus, there was no need to improve the lives of the Ludlow Massacre survivors and other slaves of the vast Rockefeller empire. The upshot? The Rockefellers would have even more money and power, and could derive more spiteful joy from a growing gap between themselves and the "serfs." (Cross-reference: "Charles Lindbergh," "Aaron Russo," this encyclopedia.)

- The murder of the three peaceful marchers would show contemporaries, collaborators, paid operators, and all future generations up to the present day, that you can't mess with the Rockefellers. The Rockefellers have a License to kill, and the smarts to smear, arrest, torture, and murder influential idealists. The Rockefellers own the media, police, armed forces, courts, and the entire government of the USA.

- As expected, after the death of the three strikers, the naive protesters got demoralized — and dispersed.

- It's hard to speculate on psychological motives, but it is entirely possible that some people derive joy from killing uppity "serfs."

Historical background: The murderous, scandal-mongering, Rockefellers

Because Caron, Hanson, Berg, and an innocent bystander were murdered in 1914, and because almost all sources of information either falsify the historical record or give it the silent treatment, this section must recall key historical events.

Since 1902, the coal mining industry of Colorado, the state government and the Federal Government have been dominated by the murderous Rockefellers. Said Rockefellers treated their miners worse than a run-of-the-mill secular southerner treated his slaves.[567]

> Colliers in Colorado were constantly threatened by explosions, suffocation, and collapsing mine walls. In 1912, the death rate in Colorado's mines was 7.055 per 1,000 employees, compared to a national rate of 3.15.... Between 1884 and 1912, mining accidents claimed the lives of more than 1,700 in Colorado.[568]

> According to government figures, there were twelve times as many miners killed and injured by accidents in the southern Colorado fields as elsewhere.[569]

> Historian Philip S. Foner has described company towns as 'feudal domain[s], with the company acting as lord and master.... The 'law' consisted of the company rules. Curfews were imposed. Company guards — brutal thugs armed with machine guns and rifles loaded with soft-point bullets — would not admit any 'suspicious' stranger into the camp and would not permit any miner to leave.[570]

Eventually, the Rockefellers' slaves struck, failing to realize that non-violence avails nothing with psychopaths. The Rockefellers responded.

The Ludlow Massacre was an attack by the Colorado National Guard and Colorado Fuel & Iron Company camp guards on a tent colony of some 1,200 striking coal miners and their families at Ludlow, Colorado on April 20, 1914. The massacre resulted in the violent deaths of between 19 and 25 people; sources vary but all sources include two women and eleven children, asphyxiated and burned to death under a single tent.

> By 7:00 p.m., the camp was in flames, and the militia descended on it and began to search and loot it. [Louis] Tikas had remained in the camp the entire day and was still there when the fire started. He and two other men were captured by the militia. Tikas and Lt. Karl Linderfelt, commander of one of two Guard companies, had confronted each other several times in the previous months. While two militiamen held Tikas, Linderfelt broke a rifle butt over his head. Tikas and the other two captured miners were later found shot dead. Tikas had been shot in the back. Their bodies lay along the Colorado and Southern Railway tracks for three days in full view of passing trains. The militia officers refused to allow them to be moved until a local of a railway union demanded they be taken away for burial.[571]

> The Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, controlled by the Rockefellers, had employed armed guards to shoot down the strikers. In a battle with the State troops forty-five persons had been killed and many wounded, and women and children had been burned to death in pits as fire destroyed the tent colony at Ludlow. The whole country was ringing with these reports.[572]

In his 1919 self-published *The Brass Check*, Upton Sinclair recalled the events:[573]

> Some one hired thugs to try to pick quarrels with us and cause a disturbance; I had been to Colorado, and knew intimately the conditions. Now the strike was on, and the miners and their families living in tent-colonies had been raided, beaten, shot up by gun-men. Finally a couple of machine-guns had been turned loose on them, their tent-colony at Ludlow had been burned, and three women and fourteen children had been suffocated to death. I sat in Carnegie Hall, New York City, amid an audience of three thousand people, and listened to an account of these conditions by eye-witnesses; next morning I opened the newspapers, and found an account in the 'New York Call,' a Socialist paper, and two inches in the 'New York World' — and not a line in any other New York paper. I talked over the problem with my wife, and we agreed that something must be done to break this conspiracy of silence. I had trustworthy information to the effect that young Rockefeller [son of John Rockefeller and father of David Rockefeller] was in charge of what was going on in Colorado, though he was vigorously denying it at this time, and continued to deny it until the Walsh commission published his letters and telegrams to his representatives in Denver. Evidently, therefore, Mr. Rockefeller was the shining mark at which we must aim.

The Rockefellers were not merely content with murder, but, as is their wont, proceeded to smear the survivors:

> John Reed, who had just come up from the coal-country, told me of the vile slanders which had been invented and circulated concerning the women of the coalfields who had been active in defense of their cause. The scandal-mongers had not even spared a poor, half-crazed Italian woman, whose three babies had been burned to death in the holocaust at Ludlow! Louis Tikas, a young Greek idealist, a graduate of the University of Athens, who had been trying to uplift his people and had been foully murdered by corporation thugs, they blackguarded as a 'brothel hanger-on' before his corpse was under ground. John Reed himself they had got involved with a charming young widow in Denver; he had met her twice at dinner-parties![574] (Cross references in this encyclopedia to posthumous smears: Judi Bari, Jim Morrison.)

Children of Ludlow miners just before the Rockefellers decided to kill or scar some of them forever.

The Ludlow murders gave rise to Upton Sinclair "shining the lights on the Rockefellers" strategy.[575] This strategy attempted to force Rockefeller's newspapers (= most mass circulation newspapers) to cover the Ludlow Massacre. So, instead of demonstrating in Colorado, Sinclair and his associates marched in Tarrytown, NY, in front of John D. Rockefeller Jr.'s house. They chose his house because he was the villain who, along with his father, bought the Coloradan and federal governments and gave the order to murder and disperse the starving, cold, peaceful, coal miners, and their wives and children.

Throughout those Tarrytown protests, the Rockefellers refused to talk to Sinclair and fellow demonstrators, unleashing instead their press prostitutes and "scandal bureau." Alongside the presstitutes, they unleashed thugs and cops and ordered them to viciously assault the peaceful marchers.

Is it too much to suspect that, when nothing worked, the Rockefellers paid the police or fellow thugs to blow up the tenement of the three strikers, killing them, and accusing the victims of making bombs with the intention of "blowing up the Rockefellers"? (cf. "Judi Bari" entry, this encyclopedia).

Additional clues implicating the Rockefellers

- The first question in a criminal investigation is: Who benefits? While the Rockefellers gained from the bombing, the Tarrytown strikers and the surviving Ludlow miners lost a great deal. The three alleged bombers, of course, lost their lives.

- The second question involved criminal records. The score again is clear: Zero crimes for Arthur Caron, Carl Hanson, and Charles Berg; thousands of crimes for the Rockefellers.

- How could the police and media be so sure that the bombs were intended for the Rockefellers? Séance?

- Did anyone ever investigate the possibility of a frame up?

- Moreover, bomb-making is child's play, and it's hard to believe that Caron (a civil engineer) and his friends would blow themselves up.

- Similar charges were made in the Judi Bari case, but, because Bari and her companion miraculously survived, they were able to prove in a court of law that they were falsely accused (see "Judi Bari" entry in this encyclopedia).

- We know that the Rockefellers are murderers — that was the whole point of the Tarrytown protests, that they had killed striking wage slaves in cold blood. They killed before the Ludlow strike with their criminal record of unsafe, slave-like working conditions in a despicable company town. And they killed during the strike with the outright massacre of strikers and their families. They likewise used a variety of violent tactics against peaceful demonstrators in Tarrytown. We have encountered them often in these pages, and saw that their opponents often met with violence and premature death (e.g., Huey Long, David Graham Phillips, Aaron Russo, Mr. Poth, Mr. Sherman). We have seen that, to this day, they enjoy a special relationship with the CIA and FBI. In a just world, the Rockefellers would be immediately suspected in the killing and framing of Caron, Hanson, and Berg, faced a jury trial, and, if found guilty, deprived of their wealth and locked up forever.

- What about Caron and his friends? Did they have a criminal record? Upton Sinclair explains:

> At the opening meeting, at which the plan was discussed, I had declared that I desired the co-operation only of those who would pledge their word to me personally that they would offer no resistance, no matter what was done to them; that they would not even speak a word, nor argue with anyone, they would do

> nothing but walk up and down. Caron and his friends willingly took that pledge.[576]
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> Caron, had been one of the finest lads who had joined our Broadway demonstrations. He was a French-Canadian, whose wife and baby had starved to death during the Lawrence strike. He had come to New York and taken part in the unemployed demonstration of the previous winter, and the police had arrested him and beaten him in his cell, breaking his nose and one ear-drum. He was a non-resistant, he told us, and had been one of the most useful in helping us to keep our demonstration peaceable.[577]

Evidence suggesting that the Invisible Government was not involved

- Incredibly, Upton Sinclair seems to believe the official story, lock, stock, and barrel. The renegade revolutionary, Mary Ganz, also wrote after leaving the cause that the official version was true.[578] Ganz's self-serving views require no explanation. But the case of the courageous and brilliant Upton Sinclair defies explanation. The only thing I can say is that I would personally be willing to bet my life that it was murder. Also, some people suspected foul play already in 1914. Max Eastman: "Whether these boys died by their own bomb, or by a bomb planted in their apartment for purposes known to the police, in either case there is a flavor of martyrdom in their death."[579] Alexander Berkman, a union leader, commented the day after the bombing:

> We received news that a bomb, which I believe was planted through some trickery of the police, had exploded in Louise Berger's flat in Lexington Avenue with frightful results. Caron, Charles Berg, a woman named Mrs. Marie Chavez, who was at some of our meetings, and Louise's half-brother, Carl Hanson, were killed … They've been framing us up. Caron and those other boys weren't responsible for this thing. They've been murdered.[580]

License to kill?

> For over a century, the government, police, and bought journalists held fast to the highly improbable Rockefellers' version of events.

Rockefellers cross-references in this encyclopedia: Walter Liggett, Huey Long, Larry McDonald, David Graham Phillips, Aaron Russo, Paul Wellstone, Mr Poth, Mr. Sherman.

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Dag Hammarskjöld: See Chapter 1.

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Beverly Eckert, 1951-2009 (aged 57).

Relevant positions: Her husband was killed in the 9/11 attack on the World Trade Center;[581] co-founder and co-chair of the group Voices of September 11th;[582] volunteer for "Habitat for Humanity."[583]

Official cause of death: Airplane crash (besides Beverly Eckert, 49 other people died).

Grounds for murder?

- Eckert "questioned the official account of the [9/11] attacks, sued the government, and consistently lobbied for an Investigative Commission."[584]

- "September 11 relatives who accepted settlements forfeited their right to sue the airlines, airports, security companies, or other US organizations that could have been faulted for negligence and inadequate security measures. This ensured that very little detail of the attacks emerged outside of the government appointed 9/11 [whitewash] Commission."[585] By contrast, in 2003, Eckert signed her own death warrant when she refused their filthy lucre and penned 'My silence cannot be bought:'"

  > I've chosen to go to court rather than accept a payoff from the 9/11 victims compensation fund.... The victims fund was not created in a spirit of compassion. Rather, it was a tacit acknowledgment by Congress that it tampered with our civil justice system in an unprecedented way.... By suing, I've forfeited the "$1.8 million average award" for a death claim I could have collected under the fund. Nor do I have any illusions about winning money in my suit. What I do know is I owe it to my husband, whose death I believe could have been avoided, to see that all of those responsible are held accountable.[586]

- Eckert referred to the imperial "Project for the New American Century," as the *"most sinister"* of all documents she had ever seen.

- "Eckert had gathered evidence that former president Bush knew all about the attacks in advance and had even contributed to the planning of them. Because of her relentless activism she was 'allowed' to meet with Barack Obama, informing him that she would not rest until justice was served, and also demanded that George Bush be investigated for conspiracy and complicity in mass-murder.[587]

- The meeting with Obama took place a week before her death.[588]

- Eckert publicly opposed the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.[589]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

> "The plane was flying without cause for concern, but then it suddenly began pitching wildly and crashed. The slick media 'experts' claimed it was due to ice, yet the plane had powerful de-icing systems. Suspiciously, there was a strong FBI presence at the crash scene. The FBI only investigates cases where the NTSB has determined that 'foul play' is involved. They stated that criminal action was ruled out, yet their presence proved otherwise. This suggests that they knew there was foul play and that their only purpose at the scene was to enact a cover-up operation."[590]

License to kill?

> It doesn't seem to occur to anyone in an official position to investigate the possibility of murder of this most inconvenient person — and the deaths of 49 others.

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Dorothy Hunt, 1920-1972 (aged 52).

Relevant positions: CIA agent; wife of notorious CIA assassin E. Edward Hunt.[591]

Official cause of death: Airplane crash (44 other people died in that crash).[592]

Grounds for murder?

- Dorothy Hunt is said to have been staunchly loyal to her husband and, after his arrest, helped him with his plans to blackmail the White House. On December 8, 1972, carrying $10,000[593] (another source claims that she in fact was carrying $2 million)[594] in "what's regarded as extorted hush money and, some say, evidence that could have gotten Nixon impeached, she boarded United Airlines Flight 553 from Washington to Chicago."[595]

- "E. Howard Hunt threatened to reveal details of who paid him to organize the Watergate break-in. Dorothy Hunt took part in the negotiations with [advisor to the president] Charles Colson. According to investigator Sherman Skolnick, Hunt also had information on the ...'planning and carrying out, by the FBI and the CIA, of the political murder of President Kennedy'"[596] and the involvement of both Nixon and G. H. W. Bush.[597]

- "James W. McCord claimed that Dorothy had told him that … Hunt had information that would blow the White House out of the water."[598]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Dorothy boarded United Airlines Flight 553 from Washington to Chicago. The plane crashed, killing 44 people on board, including Dorothy. The official explanation was pilot error, but St. John (the Hunts' son) thinks that the Nixon White House wanted to both get rid of his mother and send a message to his father.[599]

- In 1972, Dorothy Hunt attempted to speak to Charles Colson. He refused to talk to her but later admitted to *The New York Times* that she was "upset at the interruption of payments from Nixon's associates to Watergate defendants."[600]

- "On 15th November, Colson met with Richard Nixon, H. R. Haldeman and John Ehrlichman at Camp David to discuss Howard Hunt's blackmail threat. John N. Mitchell was also getting worried by Dorothy Hunt's threats and he asked John Dean to use a secret White House fund to 'get the Hunt situation settled down.' Eventually it was arranged for Frederick LaRue to give Hunt about $250,000 to buy his silence." According to another source, "Nixon enlisted the aid of Bush who in turn went to his longtime business and CIA partner Bruce Leidtke."[601]

- "However, on 8th December, 1972, Dorothy Hunt had a meeting with Michelle Clark, a journalist working for CBS. According to Sherman Skolnick, Clark was working on a story on the Watergate case: 'Ms Clark had lots of insight into the bugging and cover-up through her boyfriend, a CIA operative.' Also with Hunt and Clark was Chicago Congressman George Collins.... Hunt, Clark and Collins were all killed in the accident."[602]

- "Just before Dorothy Hunt boarded the aircraft she purchased $250,000 in flight insurance payable to E. Howard Hunt."[603]

- "Supporting our contention that the FBI murdered survivors is CBS Network News' vehement demands that Ms Clark be cremated against the determined wishes otherwise of her family. The mortician who handled her body was very shortly thereafter murdered."[604]

- "The day after the crash, White House aide Egil Krogh was appointed Undersecretary of Transportation, supervising the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Association — the two agencies charged with investigating the airline crash."[605]

- In 1974, Charles Colson, Howard Hunt's boss at the White House, told *Time* magazine: "I think they killed Dorothy Hunt."[606]

- "Attorney General John N. Mitchell was under investigation for corruptly helping the El Paso Natural Gas Company against its main competitor, the Northern Natural Gas Company. Mitchell's decision to drop anti-trust charges was worth an estimated $300 million to El Paso. Ralph Blodgett and James W. Kreuger, two attorneys working for

Northern Natural Gas Company in the investigation of Mitchell, were both killed in the crash."[607]

- "Just hours after the crash an anonymous call was made to the WBBM Chicago (CBS) talk show. The caller described himself as a radio ham who had monitored ground control's communications with [flight] 553, and he reported an exchange concerning gross control tower error or sabotage. CBS, the employer of Michelle Clark, kept this information from the authorities investigating the accident."

- "One FBI agent went straight to Midway's control tower and confiscated the tape containing information concerning the crash. The FBI did this before the NTSB could act — a unique and illegal intervention."[608]

- "Within minutes of the crash, nearly 50 FBI agents were circling the plane and site even though its field office was 12 miles away. It's not every flight crash which is greeted with a 50 man FBI team. Upon arrival at the airport, the FBI confiscated the flight tape from the control tower."[609] So, as in the Wellstone and Eckert cases, the FBI appeared at the crash scene improbably fast.[610]

- "It was completely irregular for the FBI to get involved in investigating a crash [without being] invited in by the National Transportation Safety Board. The FBI director justified this action because [the FBI] considered the accident to have been the result of sabotage. That raises two issues: (i) How were they able to get to the crash scene so quickly? (ii) Why did they believe Flight 553 had been a case of possible sabotage? … It could be argued that … the FBI had been told that Flight 553 was going to crash as it landed in Chicago."[611]

License to kill?

Despite her CIA service, despite her husband's record as a most useful CIA hitman, despite overwhelming circumstantial evidence, no genuine investigation of foul play has ever been carried out.

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Tracy Lawrence, 1968(?)-2011 (aged 43).

Relevant positions: A Las Vegas employee of LPS (Lender Processing Services).

Official cause of death: Suicide.

Grounds for murder?

- "Her name was Tracy Lawrence, and for a brief moment last year, between the moment she turned whistleblower and her untimely and bizarre suicide, Tracy Lawrence's testimony threatened to blow the entire fraud-closure criminal enterprise wide open, with repercussions that could have easily reverberated all the way up to the major banks and GSEs [= government-sponsored enterprises, e.g., Fannie Mae] complicit in one of the greatest crimes this country has ever experienced."[612]

- "On November 16, 2011, the attorney general for the state of Nevada, Catherine Cortez Masto, announced a major first-of-its-kind 606-count criminal indictment against two Orange County, California-based title officers working for Lender Processing Services [LPS], the country's largest mortgaging servicing company and the worst of the predatory fraudclosure mills.... Attorney General Masto's criminal case sent shockwaves throughout the mortgage lending world. More importantly, her criminal case threatened to finally change the way America deals with the bankster class that has been plundering with impunity for years. Politically, Nevada's criminal indictment could have enormous repercussions; economically, the case could lead to invalidating tens upon tens of thousands of fraudulent foreclosures conducted in the Las Vegas area over the past few years.... Like the way peasants in a banana republic are treated, hundreds of thousands — if not millions — of Americans have been illegally and fraudulently evicted from their homes."

- "Nevada's case against LPS rested primarily on the testimony of a whistleblower, Tracy Lawrence, who worked in Lender Processing Services' office in Las Vegas. Her testimony threatened to unravel tens of thousands of fraudulent foreclosures in the state of Nevada between the years 2005-2008, and the criminal activities of the entire mortgage servicing industry. Nevada has suffered the worst foreclosure problem of any state in the union."[613]

- "In return for turning state's witness, Tracy Lawrence plea bargained her charges down to a single misdemeanor charge of falsely notarizing a signature, which carries, in the worst case scenario, a maximum of one year in prison and a $2,000 fine. However, her testimony could put her two LPS superiors behind bars for decades — which is why many believed Nevada's goal was to turn those two LPS officers into state's witnesses against LPS's senior executives."

- "On November 29, 2011 — just two weeks after the Nevada attorney general announced the landmark criminal case — whistleblower Tracy Lawrence was supposed to appear before a judge for her sentencing. It should have been a routine appearance, but she didn't

show up. Her lawyer grew anxious, called police to check on Tracy Lawrence's home, and that's when they found her dead."

- "The fallout from Tracy Lawrence's suicide has been worse than predictable: In Nevada, the case against Lender Processing Services appears to have all but fallen apart.... Masto essentially fired her deputy AG, John Kelleher, who headed up the once-aggressive Nevada Mortgage Fraud Task Force. With Kelleher gone, the Task Force looks like its work is all but over."

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- The police immediately ruled out homicide as the cause of Tracy's death.

- "Along with Kelleher, several other Nevada prosecutors and investigators have since been reassigned or transferred out to pasture. In the courts, a Nevada judge all but gutted the AG's criminal case against Lender Processing Services."

- "Meanwhile in LPS's headquarter state of Florida, the attorney general Pam Bondi has done everything to protect LPS, even firing two of her office's attorneys who made the mistake of investigating LPS fraud."

License to kill?

Despite Lawrence's most convenient death just before she was going to indict, by implication, the entire banking system of the USA, despite the fact that she herself would probably not have to spend one day in prison for her very minor role in the foreclosure fiasco, despite America's stellar record of murdering inconvenient witnesses, the government has not bothered to entertain the likelihood of foul play. In the USA, top bankers can literally get away with murder.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to challengers of the banking scam: Rod Blagojevich, Jerome Daly, Martin Mahoney, Bill Drexler, Bronson Cutting, John Heinz, John Tower, Charles August Lindbergh Sr., Huey Long, Larry P. McDonald, Louis McFadden, Jim Traficant, Paul Wellstone, Danny Casolaro, Walter Liggett, Anson Ng, David Graham Phillips, Mark Pittman, Aaron Russo.

Commentary: Before passing judgment on attorneys general Bondi and Masto for caving in to the bankers, you must ask yourself: Would you have the courage to stand up for justice in a country where bankers and spooks have a license to kill? Where you know that these Draculas entirely control the media, Congress, the president, the banks, the courts, the schools, the police, the army, the minds of the majority? Where these Draculas can co-opt the opposition, constantly harass dissidents, and rig elections? Where the vast majority accepts a system based on sunshine bribery and murder? Where a vast prison system exists which, in some respects, could teach Stalin's Gulag and Mao's indoctrination camps a lesson or two? Where politicians routinely break their election promises?

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Martin Vincent Mahoney, 1915-1969 (aged 54).

Relevant positions: Justice of the peace, Scott County; Minnesota; presiding judge, *First National Bank of Montgomery v. Jerome Daly*.

Official cause of death: Fishing boat accident, less than six months after a landmark trial.[614]

For additional details, see Chapter 1.

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Philip Marshall, 1958(?)-2013 (aged 54)**.**

Relevant positions: Former CIA contract pilot; author; 9/11 truth-seeker.

Official cause of death: Shot and killed his son Alex (17), daughter Macaila (14), family dog, and then himself.

Grounds for murder?

- "Philip Marshall … published a number of books, including at least two about … 9/11: ...'*The Big Bamboozle*' (February 9, 2012) and *"False Flag 911: How Bush, Cheney and the Saudis Created the Post-911 World."*[615]

- "In his books and his social media bios (including multiple Facebook accounts, his Twitter account and a Tumblr), he claims to have served as a contract pilot for the CIA's Special Activities Division during the Iran-Contra affair, flying shipments to and from Nicaragua."

- "He appeared on 'outsider truth' shows like Coast to Coast to promote the theories in his books that 9/11 was an 'inside job,' the result of a plot between the US government and the Saudis."

- An excerpt from Marshall's last book, *The Big Bamboozle*, provides a few more details why he had to be murdered:

> Because there were so many holes in my understanding at the time, [my first book] was written as a novel based on my time flying for the spooks back in the 1980s. Even before this stunt, there was a sick feeling that America was in deep, deep trouble, that a group, this new Bush Administration, just like the old Bush Administration, was an incredibly dangerous, brazen bunch of well-connected, well educated ideologists. They were on a power trip similar to others in world

> history, but as far as I knew this was the first attempt by what our founders had labeled domestic enemies to overthrow the Constitution and place America under their own absolute power.

- Marshall had stated that he was holding explosive information that would be revealed in his next book. The professional-clean-ups of Marshall's house after the murder suggest that the killers, and the agency or agencies employing them, were looking for a specific piece of evidence or information. (Marshall's computer mysteriously disappeared after the killings, and its whereabouts remain unknown.)[616]

- Marshall's family murder and the government/media lies about it serve the government propaganda effort in yet another way, besides eliminating an idealist who knew too much. By alleging that he killed his own children and dog, the government implied that it takes a crazy man, a nutty conspiracy theorist, a merciless killer, to believe that 9/11 was an inside job.

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Even though Marshall wrote a number of books proving that 9/11 was an inside job, the Invisible Government's media — all thousands of them without a single exception — immediately accepted the bizarre theory that he shot his dog, two children, then himself.

- "After a week-long on-site investigation, former National Security Agency officer Wayne Madsen is '100% certain' that 9/11 investigator and author Philip Marshall and his two children were killed in a Black Ops hit. Madsen's conclusion is that the cover story — an alleged murder-suicide — is transparently absurd." Some evidence cited by Madsen:

  - "Neighbors' houses are 'practically on top of" Marshall's house, so dozens of neighbors would have heard any gunshots that weren't muffled by a silencer … and Marshall's "patsy gun" did not have a silencer."

  - "The crime scene was illegally and surreptitiously cleaned up by professionals, including 'a SUV, license undetermined, with an array of communication antennas bristling from the roof.'"

  - "Philip Marshall, who had expressed his fear of being harassed or silenced for his 9/11 revelations, never kept his doors open — but when the bodies were found, a side door Marshall never used was wide open."

  - "According to Madsen, all of Marshall's neighbors believe it was a professional murder, not the murder-suicide claimed by corrupt local police, who have presumably been told what to do and say by higher authorities working on behalf of 'national security.'"

  - "Marshall, Madsen points out, was not just any 9/11 conspiracy author. A former airline pilot, Marshall was a close associate of notorious CIA drug smuggler Barry

> Seal, and a peripheral player in the New Orleans CIA/crime nexus that killed JFK, Martin Luther King, and many others. Madsen suggests that Marshall, a long-time participant in covert operations, developed a penchant for truth during the last years of his life."[617]

- "'Paranoia' again: A year before his death, while writing his last book and showing that the official 9/11 version was 'absolutely preposterous,' Marshall feared for his life.[618] During the editing and pre-marketing process of Marshall's book, he expressed some degree of paranoia because the nonfiction work accused the George W. Bush administration of being in cahoots with the Saudi intelligence community in training the hijackers who died in the planes used in the attacks."[619]

- As in 9/11, the Boston Marathon explosions,[620] and almost all government-sponsored murders, the government and corporate media knew right away who was to blame. Compare this to the behavior of a Sherlock Holmes, or the more responsible Russian government, who take weeks or months before coming up with tentative announcements about the identity of killers.

License to kill?

> The entire case cries for a genuine investigation. Do you know of another instance where a man fought hard to gain custody of his children, and then shot them? Do you know of someone who shot his own dog and then committed suicide? Is there anyone the FBI/CIA hate more than a man writing books showing that there is more to 9/11 than the official story? And yet, the American government is sticking to its malicious and improbable fish story.

Cross references in this encyclopedia to theft of documents: Danny Casolaro, Jim Garrison, Anson Ng, Pat Tillman.

Cross-references in this encyclopedia to paranoia: Friends and relatives of Ernest Hemingway, Richard Wright, and Phil Ochs also accused these dissidents of paranoia and closed their minds to obvious, constant, harassment: "Sometimes," novelist William S. Burroughs said, "paranoia is just having all the facts."

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Deborah Jeane Palfrey, 1956-2008 (aged 52).

Relevant position: Owner of an escort service popular among Washington DC's political class.[621]

Official cause of death: "Found in her mother's shed with a nylon rope around her neck, dead from apparent suicide."[622]

Grounds for murder?

- When Deborah Palfrey's phone "records were released in 2007, they [led] to exposure of high profile people. In what could be the biggest sex scandal in the U.S. capital for more than a decade, Ms. Palfrey caused the resignation of married 65-year-old Randall Tobias, a deputy to Secretary of State, Condoleezza Rice. The list also thrust another official, Pentagon adviser Harlan Ullman, into the heart of the scandal.... The scandal of her arrest rocked the nation's capital as some of the city's biggest power players, including father-of-four Senator David Vitter, were outed."[623]

- These revelations, Palfrey and her lawyers implied, were just the tip of the scandalberg. If not left alone, she threatened to reveal other "big names." According to Palfrey's lawyer, two of the "big names" were John McCain and Dick Cheney.[624] (At the time of her death, Cheney had his own personal assassination squad.[625])

- "She had vowed to identify as many well-known figures as possible to subpoena them as defense witnesses."[626]

- Palfrey said: "I have information that would have been of great interest to the 9/11 Commission – there's information that they have (her call girls) that would have been very important for the 9/11 Commission to know having to do with intelligence they picked up about 9/11 before it happened."[627]

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- "In October 2006, United States Postal Inspection Service agents posed as a couple who were interested in buying Palfrey's home as a means of accessing her property without a warrant. Agents froze bank accounts worth over US$500,000, seizing papers relating to money laundering and prostitution charges."[628]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- Brandi Britton, one of Deborah's former escort service employees, allegedly committed suicide by hanging too.[629]

- In 2016, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a lower court decision to protect Deborah's numerous clients from scandal. The court rejected her attorney's bid to release her phone records despite his claims that these calls were 'very relevant' to the presidential election.[630]

- "The government claims that Palfrey's former escort service, Pamela Martin and Associates, was an illegal prostitution ring, and yet it was allowed to operate for 13 years before Palfrey's attempt to close the business made many influential Beltway politicians nervous that she was about to spill the beans on their involvement — triggering federal harassment and a criminal investigation."[631]

- "'She insinuated that there is a contract out for her and I fully believe they succeeded,' said the manager of her condo."[632]

- "On at least four previous occasions .... Palfrey publicly stated that "she would never commit suicide." On one occasion she said: "No I'm not planning to commit suicide.... I'm planning on going into court and defending myself vigorously, and exposing the government."[633] She made it clear that her premature death should be viewed as a murder, not suicide.

- Her attorney Montgomery Blair Sibley "is not currently licensed to practice law after a 2008 suspension in Florida for filing 'vexatious and meritless' lawsuits against judges. He later said he had no interest in returning to the 'rotten' profession."[634] (Cf. Bill Drexler, Jerome Daly, and Trump cluster cases, this encyclopedia. See also "Lynne Stewart," *Wikipedia.*)

- The title of Sibley's book: *Why Just Her: The Judicial Lynching of the D.C. Madam, Deborah Jeane Palfrey.*

- Sibley is aware of what most people in the Anglosphere know, deep down — that the Invisible Government routinely murders its influential foes. To save his life, he worked out the following ingenious stratagem (as of mid-2022, he is still alive):

> The colorful litigator who represented the late "D.C. madam" Deborah Palfrey and threatened this week to release call logs of his former client that he says are 'very relevant' to the 2016 presidential election, tells *U.S. News* those records already are digitized and posted online. Montgomery Blair Sibley says the records will become public if he fails to reset a 72-hour countdown clock.... Inevitable release, he says, may also disincentivize violent acts against him to prevent their disclosure. The records are stored on four servers around the world, Sibley says, and dozens of reporters will receive a website link if the clock is not reset. He says he loaded the information online in January, when he decided to publicly claim the records are relevant to the presidential race.[635]

License to kill?

No investigations were ever carried out to rule out foul play — despite the threat Palfrey posed to powerful people, and despite the established fact that the CIA/FBI specialize in making murders look like suicides.

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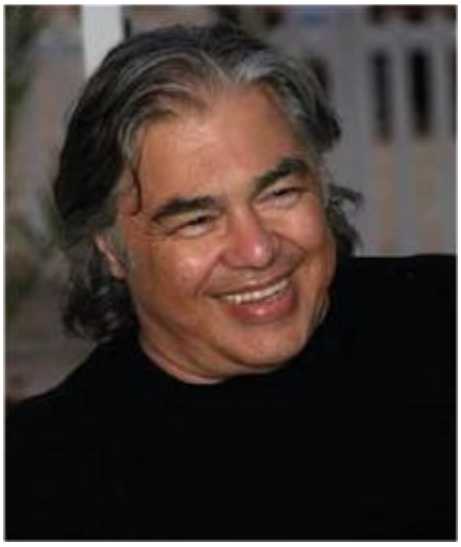
Aaron Russo, 1943-2007 (aged 64).



Relevant positions: Film producer, director, and actor; candidate for governor of Nevada; political activist.

Official cause of death: Naturally-occurring cancer.

Grounds for murder?

- Aaron Russo began his attack on the Invisible Government's sacred cows in the early 1990s when he produced and starred in the documentary *Mad as Hell*. The film is an exposé of the disastrous North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the federal government's complicity in the War on Drugs, and Rockefeller medicine.[636] "The film correctly observes that the emergency we're facing is that America is turning into a totalitarian society, and that its Constitution and principles of freedom are being destroyed. The film argues that Americans cannot allow their forefathers' struggle to have been in vain."

- In 1998, Russo took his political interests to a higher level, ran in the Republican primaries for Nevada governorship, and garnered 26% of the vote. "Russo was planning to run again for Nevada governor in 2002 as either an independent or Libertarian but was sidelined by cancer."[637]

- In 2004, Russo came close but failed to secure the nomination for presidential candidate of the Libertarian Party.

- He directed the 2006 film, *America: Freedom to Fascism*, which included criticisms of such Invisible Government projects as the income tax, Federal Reserve Syndicate, and the government's promotion of terrorism as a means of bringing fascism to America's shores.

- Shortly before dying of cancer, Russo explained how he signed his own death warrant: Saying no to, and exposing, the Rockefellers.

> So I had a friend, Nick Rockefeller, who was one of the Rockefeller family.... And one of the things that we used to talk about … the goals of the banking industry — not just the Federal Reserve System but the private banks in Germany, and England, all over Italy, all over the world — they all work together, they're all central banks.... And so, the ultimate goal that these people have in mind is the goal to create a one-world government, run by the banking industry … there'll be no more cash.... And I used to say to him that I never really did that because that wasn't where I was coming from. As much as I like you, Nick, your way isn't my way, we're on the opposite side of the fence. I don't believe in enslaving people.

Rockefeller said something like:

> What do you care about them*?* What do you *care* about those people? What difference does it make to you? Take care of your own life. Do the best you can for you and your family. What do the rest of the people mean to you? They don't mean anything to you. They're just serfs, they're just people.

Russo's response:

> It was just a lack of caring. And that's just not who I was. It was just sort of *cold*.[638]

License to kill?

> No investigations were ever carried out of foul play, despite the Rockefeller clan's record of assassinations, despite that clan's reputation for revenge killing, and despite the known fact that their assassination squads (e.g., CIA, FBI) specialize in clandestine cancer induction.

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Shane Schmidt, 1977(?)-2010 (aged 33)**.**

I do not have a problem killing bad guys, that's what we do. But murdering innocent civilians? That is wrong, and justice has to be served. — Shane Schmidt, 2006

Relevant positions: Ex-Marine; ex-mercenary for the US army.

Official cause of death: Killed by a passing vehicle.

Grounds for murder?

- "On July 8, 2006, former Marine Shane Schmidt was one of four Triple Canopy (a company providing the US army with $500-a-day mercenaries) employees traveling in an armored sport-utility vehicle to the Baghdad airport. One of the four, shift leader Jacob C. Washbourne, was scheduled to leave Iraq the next day for a vacation in the United States. 'I want to kill somebody today,' he said as he cocked his gun, according to the other three men in the vehicle. In two separate encounters later that day, Washbourne fired unprovoked into the windshields of an occupied taxi and pickup truck, said Mr. Schmidt and a colleague, former Army Ranger Charles L. Sheppard III. They suspected that civilians had been seriously injured or killed."[639]

- "Mr. Schmidt and Sheppard, who said they feared reprisal from Washbourne, waited two days until he had left the country before reporting what they had witnessed to top Triple Canopy managers. An internal investigation followed. Washbourne denied every accusation."

- Triple Canopy fired Mr. Schmidt and Sheppard, saying that they had violated company policy by failing to report the shootings right away. The fourth guard, Fiji native Isireli Naucukidi, reported the July 8 incidents immediately – offering an account that differed slightly from the others – and then left Triple Canopy on his own. 'I couldn't stand what was happening,' Naucukidi told *The Washington Post* in 2007. 'It seemed like every day they were covering something up.'"

- "The incident might never have become public had Mr. Schmidt and Sheppard not decided to file a wrongful termination lawsuit against Triple Canopy in 2006. The pair said that they had been fired for reporting Washbourne's attempted murders.... The parties reached a settlement out of court. The terms were not disclosed."[640]

- And whatever happened to the homicidal Washbourne, you might wonder? Well, the last we have heard of him he had been suing a Pulitzer-prize winning journalist for defamation,[641] was gainfully employed, and made the grade for the so-called "Foundation for Exceptional Warriors."[642]

License to kill?

It seems that the truck driver who ran Schmidt over was never found — let alone brought to trial. That, as far as I can tell, is where the official story ends. Why isn't the government interested in apprehending and questioning the people who killed Shane Schmidt?

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Aaron Swartz, 1986-2013 (aged 26).

Relevant positions: Co-founder of the democratic Internet community Reddit (by 2022, Reddit had more than 430 million active users every month and over 130,000 active communities); software developer; political activist.

Official cause of death: Suicide.

Grounds for murder?

- Aaron Swartz "paid the ultimate price for his combination of genius and conscience — [he] stood up for freedom and fairness — and was hounded to his death." He was the "wunderkind of his generation who was hounded to suicide at the age of 26 by a vindictive US administration."[643]

- "As he grew, one could see him becoming more and more interested in politics. And this too was predictable, for nobody with that razor-sharp intelligence could look at neoliberal capitalism and not see the unfairness, hypocrisy and inequality that lies beneath it. So he morphed into the most technologically-gifted political activist in history. He looked for instances of manifest unfairness and developed software to remedy it. Discovering that the provision of court transcripts in the US was essentially a commercial racket, he teamed up with other activists to right an obvious wrong: that the law was only readable by those with money."[644]

- "He was similarly exercised at the fruits of taxpayer-funded scientific research being monetised by a few ruthless publishing firms which charge outrageous fees to access the resulting academic papers."[645]

- "The Obama administration has taken a leaf out of the Chinese book on internet control: people can say more or less what they like online; but the moment they look like mobilising people, then you come down on them like the ton of bricks that crushed Aaron Swartz."[646]

- In an online "manifesto" dated 2008, Aaron wrote: "Information is power. But like all power, there are those who want to keep it for themselves." He dedicated his life precisely to the goal of depriving the Invisible Government of that power.[647]

- Swartz's idealism and Web savvy took him from Internet entrepreneur to online activist, co-founding (with David Segal) Demand Progress, "a group that campaigns for progressive public policy — in particular fighting against Internet censorship. His crusades boosted his status as something of a folk hero." By the time of Aaron's death, Demand Progress had over 1 million members, and by 2021, over 1.5 million."[648]

- This figure of 1,000,000 is decisive, for it shows, beyond all doubt, that, like John Lennon and President Kennedy, Aaron posed a real threat to the status quo. This threat is acknowledged by the Invisible Government's own indoctrination organs. For instance, NPR (National Propaganda Radio?) says: "Swartz had an enormous following in the technology world" and was one of the "most influential figures in talking about technology's social, cultural and political effect."[649]

- As well, Aaron spoke against US President Barack Obama's "kill list" and cyber attacks against Iran.[650]

- Aaron was "a frequent television commentator and the author of numerous articles on a variety of topics, especially the corrupting influence of big money on institutions including nonprofits, the media, politics, and public opinion. From 2010-11, he researched these topics as a Fellow at the Harvard Ethics Center Lab on Institutional Corruption. He also served on the board of Change Congress, a government nonprofit."[651]

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As in most cases of covert assassination, Aaron's death was preceded by a diabolical campaign of surveillance, harassment, vilification, and intimidation:[652]

- Aaron took his own life, his unsuspecting father Robert said, during his son's funeral. But in reality, he continued, Aaron was "killed by the government" who mercilessly drove him to suicide. Aaron's family wrote elsewhere: "Aaron's death is not simply a personal tragedy. It is the product of a criminal justice system rife with intimidation and prosecutorial overreach. Decisions made by officials in the Massachusetts U.S. Attorney's Office and at MIT contributed to his death. The U.S. Attorney's Office pursued an exceptionally harsh array of charges, carrying potentially over 30 years in prison, to punish an alleged crime that had no victims."[653]

- Aaron's girlfriend said that the U.S. Attorney for Boston "hounded" Swartz, showing "no interest in justice. His only interest was a notch on his belt, another young kid he could claim to put away. But I think as the case wore on, as it became clearer how weak his case was, he became more and more of a bully." She continued: "Aaron wanted so badly to change the world.... He wanted it more than money. He wanted it more than fame."[654]

- Not everyone was afraid to call it murder. Julian Assange (who is being slowly and maliciously killed in 2022 by the US/UK governments): "I am not convinced that Aaron Swartz was such a coward he committed suicide due to fear of prison.... Read his words, and decide for yourself, but I believe Swartz was *murdered* by a team of copyright assassins who made it all look like a simple suicide. Watch what you say, or you may end up like Aaron Swartz."[655]

- The Invisible Government "made it clear that Aaron was in its crosshairs. Thus, its underlings, especially "the Motion Picture Association of America and United States Chamber of Commerce, have stated their opposition to Demand Progress on numerous occasions, mainly in respect to [its] stance on Internet censorship."[656]

- "In 2009, the FBI put Aaron under 'investigation' (a euphemism for harassment of activists [and a preamble to murder]) for publicly releasing 20% of United States Federal Court documents. The 'case' was closed two months later, without filing any charges but, in the process, making Aaron pay dearly for his idealism."[657]

- The entire exercise had nothing to do with breaking laws or justice, but a warning: "Stop fighting for justice and freedom," the Federal Bureau of Intimidation was telling him, "or else!" And yet, like a tree standing by the waters, Aaron was not moved. Despite the extreme pressure he was under, Aaron Swartz (like Chelsea Manning and many other unsung heroes) remained defiant. In early October 2009, Aaron posted his FBI file on the internet. With this single act of defiance, Aaron probably signed his own eradication warrant.[658]

- In connection with his public-spirited Open Library project, whose goal is "to create a free webpage for every book ever published" and to have as many books as possible freely available, Swartz allegedly downloaded 4 million restricted-access academic articles from the website of a non-profit organization called JSTOR, with the intention, according to the American government, of making these articles freely available to the world's people (as, by the way, they would have been in any half-civilized society — can anyone imagine Hiawatha or Archimedes or Aristarchus or Euclid or Sappho copyrighting their works?), for which "crime" he faced a potential 50(!) years behind bars. Swartz, however, denied the government's allegations.[659]

- JSTOR, the organizational "victim" of Aaron's campaign to deprivatize knowledge, not only declined to press charges against him but, two days before his death, "announced that the archives of more than 1,200 of its journals would be available to the public for free." Yet, that act of generosity and public spiritedness meant nothing to the Rothschilds and Rockefellers' "justice" system, which continued to turn Aaron's life into a living hell. And there is yet another curious aspect of JSTOR's decision. Most of us spend entire lifetimes without ever accomplishing anything like it: cajoling a huge organization to place the public interest above its own. Are we to believe that, just two days after this momentous victory, instead of being jubilant, Aaron was depressed enough to hang himself?[660]

License to kill?

The suicide explanation does not make sense. Couldn't a gifted young man like Aaron escape government persecution by moving to, for example, Russia (as did Edward Snowden, among others)? Isn't government murder almost always preceded by the type of harassment Aaron suffered? And yet, as always, the government is sticking to its guns: It was suicide, and nothing else.

Comments

1. The bankers, billionaires, generals, and spooks who make up our Invisible Government had plenty of reasons to kill Aaron Swartz, especially because the Internet (along with a well-armed citizenry) had been (while he lived) the last remaining obstacle on the road to the totalitarian horizon. He was creative, idealistic, and unbendable. He was young and admired by many. If not checked, he might have slowed down the Syndicate's attacks on the biosphere, freedom, peace, justice, free flow of information, and common decencies. So the Invisible Government probably did kill him. They did so either indirectly through constant harassment, as his loved ones publicly stated (cf. "Ernest Hemingway" entry), or, most likely, directly by hanging him and alleging that he hung himself.

2. The flow of dissidents from Russia to America and vice versa used to be a two-way highway, e.g., Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, Zhores Medvedev, and Mikhail Baryshnikov to the USA, Bill Haywood and H. J. Muller to Russia. The flow, however, was mostly from Russia to America. Now the tide is perhaps turning; in the future, Russia might shelter more political exiles than America.

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Pat Tillman, 1976–2004 (aged 27).

Relevant positions: Football star who idealistically (and naively) left a $3.6 million contract in response to the 9/11 tragedy, enlisted in 2002 as a U.S. Army ranger, and served in Iraq and Afghanistan until his death.

Official cause of death: At first, the American government *knowingly* lied to Tillman's family and the American people, telling them that he died heroically in combat. A month later, under pressure from the family, the story changed, now stating that he was accidentally killed by his fellow soldiers.[661]

Grounds for murder?

- "Even before his death, Tillman was considered a model of self-sacrifice, integrity and decency."[662]

- Pat Tillman was a poster boy for the veracity of the government's contrived version of 9/11, for genuine but misguided patriotism, and for the subsequent genocides in Afghanistan and Iraq. Or, as the corporate media put it: "He was the United States Army's celebrity soldier, the American football player who had given up millions of dollars … to enlist."[663]

- While this poster boy was being exploited to justify imperial interventions, he began to perceive that the conquest of Iraq was unjust and illegal.[664] Before the elections, he planned to go home and seek the advice of people that he (mistakenly) believed were dissident intellectuals.[665]

- "Tillman admonished fellow Rangers to vote Bush out of office in the upcoming presidential election."[666]

- This image of an "anti-Bush, anti-Iraq war hero… (at a time when many Americans and Britons supported the war) flew in the face of the official Bush administration portrait of Tillman, painted by dutiful media whores … as 'an American original — virtuous, pure and masculine, like only an American can be.'"[667]

- "There existed a very real possibility that Tillman might go public with his anti-war anti-Bush stance in the weeks leading up to the 2004 presidential election, dealing a fatal blow to the very foundation of the Bush administration's propaganda pyramid. That day, however, never came. On April 22nd, 2004, Tillman was killed on patrol in Afghanistan by three American bullets to the head."[668]

- Kevin Tillman, Pat's brother and comrade-in-arms who, like Pat, left everything behind to join what he thought was a just war, said: "A terrible tragedy that might have further undermined support for the war in Iraq … was transformed into an inspirational message that served instead to support the … wars in Iraq and Afghanistan."[669]

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- The officer in charge of the second investigation into Pat's murder denigrated the Tillman's family's outrage and search for truth: "These people have a hard time letting it go. It may be because of their religious beliefs … When you die, I mean, there is supposedly a better life, right? Well, if you are an atheist and you don't believe in anything, if you die, what is there to go to? Nothing. You are worm dirt. So for their son to die for nothing and now he is no more.... I do not know how an atheist thinks, I can only imagine that would be pretty tough."[670]

Additional clues implicating the Invisible Government

- "Lieutenant General Stanley McChrystal [see also: "Michael Hastings," this encyclopedia] approved the Silver Star citation on April 28, 2004, which gave a detailed account of Tillman's death including the phrase 'in the line of devastating enemy fire.' But the next

day [McChrystal] sent a … confidential memo warning senior government members that Tillman might actually have been killed by friendly fire."[671]

- Tillman's is just the most famous case; the Pentagon, in reality, is a cesspool of heartless lies and corruption, the embodiment of Eisenhower's warning of the "disastrous rise of misplaced power."[672] George Carlin was dead serious when he said: "I have certain rules I live by. My first rule: I don't believe anything the government tells me."

- Pat Tillman's father is on record stating that McChrystal "participated in a falsified homicide investigation."[673]

- As might be expected, in 2009, despite his lying record, despite his complicity in illegal torture,[674] despite Hastings' description of him a year later as a runaway general surrounded by "a handpicked collection of killers, spies … political operators and outright maniacs," McChrystal received a promotion to general and was nominated as the satrap of Afghanistan. And why was this liar who insulted the White House tapped by that very White House "to head a new advisory board to support military families"?[675] Why did the Invisible Government embrace him as its own, enriching him after he left office? As in the case of Gerald Ford, Eisenhower, MacArthur, Patton, and thousands of other rhinestone cowboys, such bizarre goings on raise the question: Was he being rewarded for his complicity in the murder of Pat Tillman?[676]

- And come to think of it, after this "operator" was fired in disgrace in 2010, why was he allowed to "retain his four-star rank in retirement, although law generally requires a four-star officer to hold his rank for three years in order to retain it in retirement"?[677] Did he know too much?

- Immediately, "evidence surrounding [Pat's] killing began to disappear. One day after his death someone burned his body armor. Two days later someone burned his uniform. At some point his journal, which he wrote in religiously, went missing. With the journal disappeared Tillman's voice."[678]

- "The extensive cover-up that followed Tillman's death included the military's order to Tillman's comrades to lie to his family at the funeral."[679]

- A mainstream reporter felt that "Tillman's death may have been a case of deliberate murder by Tillman's fellow soldiers — specifically that the bullet holes were tight and neat, suggesting a shot at close range." But death by fellow soldiers seems unlikely, because Tillman "was popular among his fellow soldiers and had no enemies."[680] Death by an American death squad seems far more likely.

- "A doctor who examined Tillman's body after his death wrote … that the wound entrances appeared as though he had been shot with an M16 rifle from fewer than 10 yards (9.1 m) away" — and not, as the army alleged, by a machine gun.[681]

- "There were special forces snipers in the group immediately behind Tillman's platoon."[682]

- "The destruction of evidence linked to Tillman's death, including his personal journal, led his mother to speculate that he was murdered. General Wesley Clark agreed that it was 'very possible.'"[683]

- "On April 24, 2007, Specialist Bryan O'Neal, the last soldier to see Pat Tillman alive, testified before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform that he was warned by superiors not to divulge information that a fellow soldier killed Tillman, especially to the Tillman family."[684]

- "The Bush administration and the Pentagon had withheld key documents relating to Tillman's death and denied any new document release request from Congress citing executive privilege."[685]

- "Twenty U.S. military veterans who fought in Iraq and Afghanistan asked the NFL commissioner … to help secure the release of all documents relating to the death of Pat Tillman."[686]

- "On July 14, 2008, the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform … stated that its 'investigation was frustrated by a near universal lack of recall' among 'senior officials at the White House' and the military." The committee concluded "that the Defense Department did not meet its most basic obligations in sharing accurate information with the families and with the American public."[687]

- Up to this point, I'd rate the probability that Dick Cheney or other known White House cutthroats were behind Pat Tillman's murder at about 95% (at the threshold of what natural scientists consider proof). But the following chilling description of Pat's last moments raises it to 99%:

  > Cease fire. Friendlies! I am Pat f***ng Tillman, dammit," shouted former pro football player turned Army Ranger Pat Tillman as a hail of bullets pierced the darkening Afghani sky. '*Cease Fire! Friendlies! I am Pat F***Ing Tillman! I am Pat F***Ing Tillman!'*
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  > On patrol in eastern Afghanistan at dusk on April 22, 2004, Tillman and his men hit the dirt, trying to escape swarms of artillery fire coming from the valley below. Tillman detonated a smoke bomb, hoping to signal to his comrades that they were shooting at U.S. troops, known in military parlance as 'friendlies.' The firing stopped.
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  > After a moment, Tillman, probably assuming he'd been recognized, stood up. Another barrage of bullets rocketed across the dusty canyon. Three of those bullets shattered Tillman's skull, ending his life. Other bullets hit his body, with some of the shrapnel becoming embedded in his body armor. An Afghani soldier allied with U.S. forces was also killed, and two other soldiers were injured.[688]

License to kill?

> Despite Tillman's fame and idealism, despite the astoundingly suspicious circumstances of his death, despite so many lies and contradictions, despite pleas from Tillman's family, despite the government having so many reasons to wish Pat Tillman dead, no real investigation of the case has ever taken place; e.g., a jury-like probe carried out by 12 Americans chosen and given subpoena powers to call any witness and obtain every (unredacted) document. The American government has a license to kill whoever poses the slightest threat to oligarchic interests. Let us once and for all drop the pretension that it doesn't — and "deal with it."[689]

Cross references in this encyclopedia to theft of documents: Danny Casolaro, Jim Garrison, Anson Ng, Philip Marshall.

EPILOGUE: WHAT CAN BE DONE?

In 2005, Ward Churchill drew the following lessons from the FBI's war of extermination against the Black Panther Party (BPP):

> In many ways the most important lesson to be gleaned from the [Black] Panther experience has to do with the nature of the enemy with which all domestic oppositionists, regardless of the ideological and other distinctions that divide us, are mutually faced. No élite willing to assemble an apparatus of repression comparable to that evident in the U.S., or to wield it with the savagery evident in the Panther example, displays the least likelihood of being susceptible to the powers of logic, moral suasion or other such nonviolent manifestations of popular will. On the contrary, to the extent that these approaches might at some point demonstrate a capacity to compel fundamental alterations in the bedrock of social order, they will be suppressed with essentially the same systematic and sustained resort to lethal force that was once visited upon the BPP.
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> Those committed to achieving fundamental change rather than cosmetic tweakings of the existing system are thus left with no viable alternative but to include the realities of state violence as an integral part of our political calculus. We are in a war, whether we wish to be or not, the only question before us being how to go about winning it. Here too, the legacy bequeathed by the Black Panther Party provides invaluable lessons. By studying the techniques with which the counterinsurgency war against the Party was waged, we can, collectively, begin to devise the ways and means by which to counter them, offsetting and eventually neutralizing their effectiveness.
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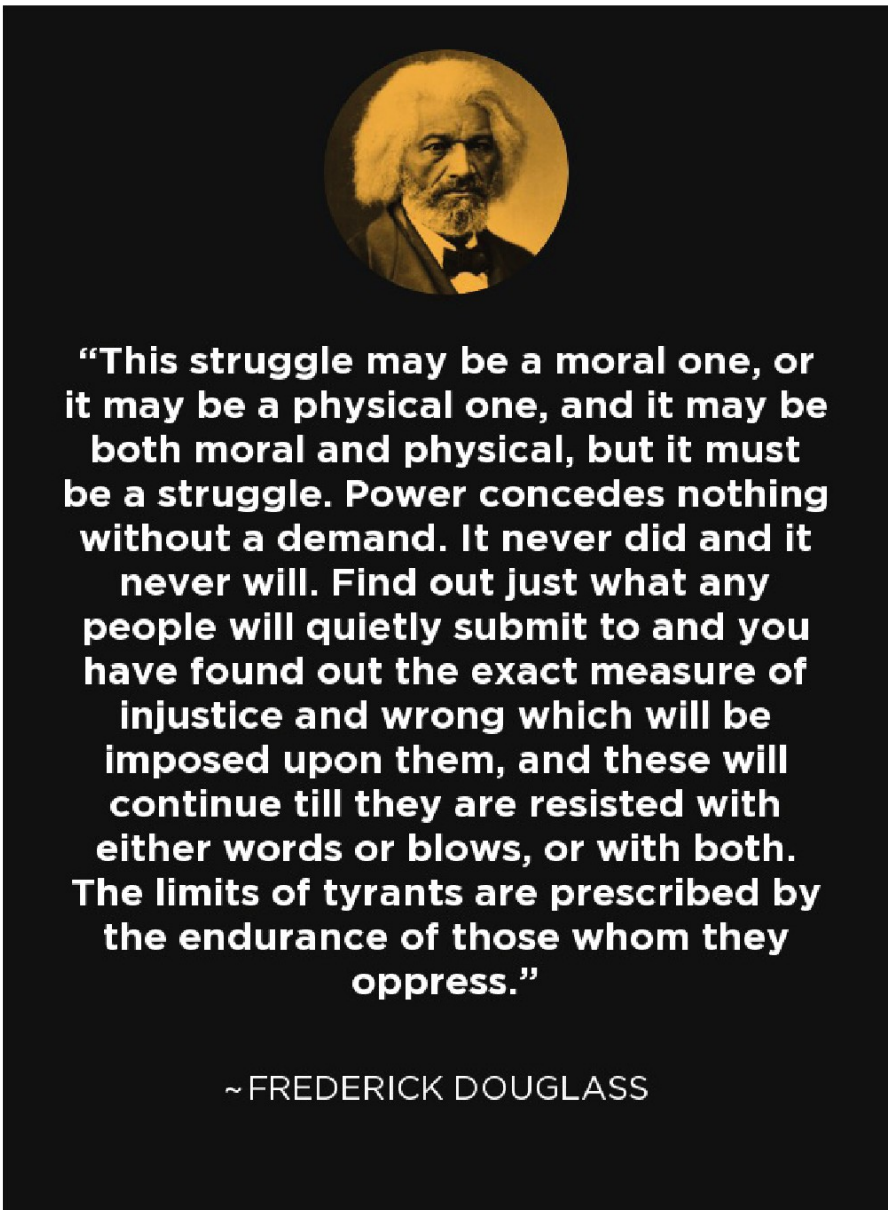
> The current prospects for liberatory struggle in the United States are exceedingly harsh, even more than was the case a generation ago. Far harsher, however, is the prospect that the presently ascendant system of élite predation might be allowed to perpetuate itself indefinitely into the future, exploiting and oppressing the preponderance of the population in the midst of every moment along the way. We owe it to ourselves to abolish the predators, here and now, or as rapidly as possible, enduring whatever shortrun sacrifice is required to get the job done, reaping the longer term rewards of our success. We owe it to those who sacrificed before us to fulfill the destiny they embraced. Most of all, we owe it to our coming generations to free them from that against which we must struggle. Thankfully, the fallen warriors of the Black Panther Party have left us many tools with which we may at last complete their task.[690]

Reformers and humanitarians must once and for all draw strategic lessons from the failures of the Shays' Rebellion, Whiskey Rebellion, the Black Panther Party, as well as the movements for direct

democracy, environmental stewardship, toxin-free world, peace, freedom, social justice, and workplace democracy. They must stop voting, protesting, writing letters to "their" representatives or newspapers. The only way forward is a clandestine strategy that would neutralize the vampires who now suck the lifeblood out of everything that is worth living for.

At the moment, it looks as if all is lost. History, however, is replete with victories against impossible odds.[691]


"This struggle may be a moral one, or it may be a physical one, and it may be both moral and physical, but it must be a struggle. Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will. Find out just what any people will quietly submit to and you have found out the exact measure of injustice and wrong which will be imposed upon them, and these will continue till they are resisted with either words or blows, or with both. The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress."
~FREDERICK DOUGLASS

APPENDIX: A SAMPLER OF FUTURE ENTRIES

The list below contains a few possible future entries in a second, expanded, edition of this encyclopedia.

Smears, Job Losses, Legal Troubles, and Incarceration Clusters

Associates of Donald J. Trump (while and after Trump served as the 45th president of the United States): Steve Bannon (Senior Counselor to the President), Michael Flynn (National Security Adviser to the President), Allen Weisselberg (Chief Financial Officer of the Trump Organization), Michael Cohen (attorney of Donald Trump), Rudy Giuliani (attorney of Donald Trump), Roger Stone (adviser), Paul Manafort (Chair, Trump's 2016 presidential campaign), Rick Gates (Manafort's deputy), Alex van der Zwaan (collaborator of Manafort and Gates), Elliott Broidy (leading fund raiser for Trump's campaign), Lil Wayne (a rapper and a Trump supporter), Ken Kurson (an associate of Trump's son-in-law), George Papadopoulos (foreign policy adviser), Duncan Hunter (a congressman and an early supporter of Trump), Chris Collins (a Congressman and an early supporter of Trump), Thomas Barrack (former adviser and head of Trump's inauguration committee), Mark Meadows (White House Chief of Staff), Ivanka Trump (daughter), Donald Trump Jr. (son), Representative Matt Gaetz (one of Trump's foremost congressional allies.") Can it be more obvious than that? How many of Obama's, Clinton's or the Bushes' associates and relatives were thus pursued?

Notes: 1. This partial list does not include the ongoing legal difficulties of the clueless, callous, but disobedient ex-president himself, nor an attempt on his life by an Englishman who only served 11 months in custody (cf. leniency granted to the would-be assassin of Presidents Andrew Jackson and Reagan and also to the alleged assassins of Leo Ryan and Allard Lowenstein). 2. The point of this list is not about innocence or guilt, nor about Trump's ignorance or dismal record as president (a record resembling the record of most presidents, going all the way to George Washington). The point is that the Invisible Government disliked Trump, and it is selectively punishing anyone who dared support him. "The five-year attack against one man, Donald Trump, is the sole concern of the vast subpoenas," correctly observed Mark Meadows' lawyer. The underlying message: "Don't mess with the bankers and the FBI/CIA." When it comes to the obedient Bush II, Biden and Obama, just the opposite seems to be the rule: "As long as you do what you are told, you can break the law and never be prosecuted."

Framed Political prisoners in the USA.

Whistle Blowers.

Assassination Clusters

1. American presidents: Back up file here.
2. Arctic ice scientists: "Three scientists investigating melting Arctic ice may have been assassinated, professor claims."
3. Black Panther Party: Wholesale smears, raids, fraudulent prosecutions, incarcerations, and murders. Dhoruba Bin Wahad summed up the eradication program a quarter-century later: "The Party was at the peak of its popularity in 1969. We'd achieved a genuine mass base of support for our program. But people were scared. Nobody wanted to go to prison for a million years or become just another pop-up target for the death squads. And so, just at the moment when it had become possible for us to accomplish what we'd set out to do, a lot of people began to distance themselves from us. They saw it as a matter of self-preservation."
4. British Petroleum Gulf Oil Spill (2010): "Short life expectancy for BP whistleblowers?" *Peak Oil*.
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6. Clinton family body count: 1. "90 Suspicious deaths of individuals close to Bill Clinton, 81 while president." 2. "Outrage at Julian Assange for implicating murdered DNC staffer in email leak and offering $20k reward — as the victim's parents accuse Wikileaks founder of 'politicizing this horrible tragedy.'" 3. "9 out of 12 people who saw Anthony Weiner's laptop are dead." 4. Jeremiah Project. 5. James, Ryan, 2021, "Clinton body count grows: Reporter found dead," *Freedom Wire*.
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8. Banker Deaths.
9. FBI's counter-terrorism unit: Two members.
10. Holistic and alternative medicine practitioners: See also here.
11. Industrial Workers of the World: Hundreds of Wobblies were killed, imprisoned and framed, including Joe Hill, Frank Little, and Wesley Everest — just one example of centuries-long assassination and suppression campaigns against genuine unions; see also "Arthur Caron" entry above.
12. Involuntary victims of government-sponsored experiments. See also: Project MKUltra (a 20-year CIA program perfecting mind control techniques by using torture, LSD, hypnosis, and electroshock therapy — sometimes on unwitting subjects"); Tuskegee Syphilis Study ("the researchers withheld treatment from the participants so they could continue to study the illness, which the men weren't even told they had … they were instead told they had 'bad blood'"); Fernald State School Science Club (children had "been coaxed to join a 'Science Club' without knowing that their inclusion would make them guinea pigs for various radiation-laden nutrition studies funded by Quaker Oats"); U.S. Navy bioweapon attack on

San Francisco; 238 other 'germ warfare' tests over populated areas; and military tests of mind-altering drugs on unsuspecting citizens.

13. Kennedy clan (see also this): Joseph (plane "accident"), Kathleen (plane "accident;" previously dated David Rockefeller), John F. Kennedy Sr. ("lone" assassin), Robert F. Kennedy Sr. ("lone" assassin), John F. Kennedy Jr. (plane "accident"), Ted Kennedy (survived two accidents), Michael LeMoyne Kennedy, Alexander Onassis (Jackie Kennedy-Onassis's stepson, died in an aviation "accident").

    For conclusive proof that President Kennedy was murdered by the Invisible Government, see the Jim Garrison section, Chapter 1. Hundreds of independent researchers amply confirm Garrison's conclusions, and need not be be discussed here. Only five lesser-known facts will be touched upon.

    I. "Not a single major newspaper nor any national news broadcast has ever reported that on Feb. 6, 1985, a jury in Miami concluded that the CIA was involved in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.... No media reported what the jury forewoman had told the press:"

        > Mr. Lane was asking us to do something very difficult. He was asking us to believe John Kennedy had been killed by our own government. Yet when we examined the evidence closely, we were compelled to conclude that the CIA had indeed killed President Kennedy.

    II. Within a month of President Kennedy's assassination, former president Truman suggested that the CIA should be abolished, explaining that he never intended the CIA to get involved in "strange activities" when he signed the legislation creating the institution.

    III. Controversially, Prof. Mellen claims that the conduct of President John Kennedy and his attorney general brother presaged their own end: "In participating in assassination attempts against Fidel Castro, Robert Kennedy participated in the political culture that led to his brother's [and his own] murder." These Castro assassination attempts, incidentally, involved the CIA, a CIA operator by the name of Lee Oswald, and the mafia. (See, Mellen, Joan, 2012, *A Farewell to Justice: Jim Garrison, JFK.'s Assassination, and the Case That Should Have Changed History.)* Ironically, Castro outlived RFK, JFK, and Oswald by about half a century. Robert F. Kennedy Jr., however, denies the brothers' involvement or knowledge: Sam Halpern "was the one who promoted the rumor that my uncle and my father had been involved in the Castro assassination and, as I showed in my book, it's been utterly proven that they had no knowledge of the CIA's project to assassinate Castro and the CIA was very nervous they would find out about it." RFK Jr.' version of events appears to me more plausible. See also: Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2018, *American Values* and "Oliver Stone," Episode #1759, *The Joe Rogan Experience*.

    IV. The CIA specializes as well in postmortem smears: "The CIA ran a well-organized disinformation campaign against the Kennedys." (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2018, *American Values*.)

    V. "One of the defining features of the Camelot years was the Kennedys' running battle with the CIA over control of American foreign policy." (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2018, *American Values*.)

14. J. F. Kennedy assassination related deaths: Also here, including Jack Ruby, Lee Oswald, Mary Pinchot Meyer; see also Belzer, Richard & Wayne, David, 2013, *Hit List;* Norden, ibid; "District Attorney Jim Garrison" Chapter 1, this encyclopedia.
15. Marconi Company: More than 24 suspicious deaths since 1982.
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23. Vietnamese-American journalists.
24. Waco Massacre.
25. Ruby Ridge Massacre.
26. Kent State Massacre.
27. Disturbances involving the Rodney King Incident.
28. Wounded Knee Massacres: 1890 and 1973.
29. The FBI's murderous pact with Whitey Bulger.
30. Disproportionate murders by police and in-custody deaths in the USA.
31. CIA drug trafficking victims.

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Suspicious Smears, Spying, Job Losses, Legal Troubles, and Incarcerations

1. Bernice Eddy (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
2. Bill Drexler (see this encyclopedia)
3. Buddy Butler
4. Burt Lancaster

5. Celia Farber (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
6. Chandler Owen
7. Charlie Sheen (see this encyclopedia)
8. Chelsea (Bradley) Manning
9. Cyril H. Wecht, (see: Wecht, Cyril H.& Sewald, Jeff, 2020, *The Life and Deaths of Cyril Wecht)*
10. Daniel Best
11. Dominique Straus-Kahn (this encyclopedia and here)
12. Donald Trump (while president of the USA)
13. Don Siegelman
14. Eleanor Roosevelt (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2018, *American Values*)
15. Eliot Spitzer ("Sheriff of Wall Street;" see also this encyclopedia)
16. Elmer "Geronimo" Pratt
17. Elon Musk
18. Emma Watson
19. Eugene V. Debs
20. Fred Hampton Jr.
21. Helen Keller
22. Gary Condit (the sole representative who voted against the expulsion of James Traficant—see "James Traficant," entry, this encyclopedia)
23. George Galloway (and here)
24. Ivor van Heerden
25. Jack Anderson (Feldstein. Mark 2010, *Poisoning the Press: Richard Nixon, Jack Anderson and the Rise of Washington's Scandal Culture.)*
26. James Earl Ray (see also this encyclopedia)
27. Jane Fonda (also here)
28. Jack Johnson
29. Jeffrey Sterling
30. Jeremy Corbyn
31. Jimmy Carter (while president of the USA and ever since)
32. John Anthony Morris (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
33. John Edwards (lost his 16-year-old son in an "accident," lost wife to cancer, was viciously smeared and indicted)
34. John Kiriakou
35. Jonathan Fishbein (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
36. Joseph C. Wilson and Valery Plame
37. Julian Assange

38. Leonard Peltier
39. Lucille Ball
40. Lynne Stewart
41. Mary Mayer
42. Matt Gaetz
43. Michael Jackson
44. Mother (Mary Harris) Jones
45. Muhammad Ali
46. Mumia Abu-Jamal
47. Neil Clark
48. Paul Robeson
49. Pete Seeger
50. Peter Duesberg (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
51. Rachel Carson
52. Richard Nixon and Spiro T. Agnew
53. Robert F. Kennedy Jr. (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
54. Robert Malone
55. Rod Blagojevich (see this encyclopedia)
56. Sammy Davis Jr.
57. S. Brian Wilson (see also here)
58. Scott Ritter (also here)
59. Shirley Sutherland
60. Sirhan Sirhan
61. Steven Donziger
62. Stuart Jean Bramhall (Bramhall, Stuart Jeanne, *21st Century Revolution*)
63. Ward Churchill
64. William Bergman

Suspicious Deaths or Proven Murders

Notes: 1. This list of domestic victims is the tip of the Anglosphere's murderberg. The actual number could well be orders of magnitude higher. 2. Since this list of suspected or proven Anglosphere victims was first compiled, a few Internet links have vanished and many more were "disappeared" (in such cases, no links are provided). 3. The point of the list is to show that the killing fields are much larger than the case histories of this encyclopedia might suggest, and to help interested readers launch their own investigations. In a better world, there is a goldmine here for hundreds of political science, history, and criminology Ph.D. dissertations. 4. An additional list is available here.

1. Abdulrahman (aged 16) and Nawar (aged 8) Al-Awlaki.
2. Adolph Dubs (and here)
3. Alberto Behar
4. Alfred Daniel King
5. Alprentice "Bunchy" Carter (and here)
6. Andrew Breitbart
7. Andy P. Hart
8. Anthony Pearson
9. Anwar al-Awlaki
10. Arthur Morris
11. Ashli Babbitt
12. Barbara Evans-Smith
13. Barry Jennings
14. Barry Albert Mannakee
15. Barry Seal
16. Bartolomeo Vanzetti
17. Benjamin Guggenheim
18. Bertha Champagne
19. Billie Holiday (Johann Hari in: The Joe Rogan Experience, #1250)
20. Bing Liu
21. Bobby Hutton
22. Brandy Vaughan
23. Brittany Murphy
24. Bruce Ivins (Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci*)
25. Brian Terry
26. Chokwe Lumumba
27. Christopher Sign
28. Cliff Baxter
29. Don Bolles
30. Daniel Ander
31. Darren Seals
32. David Kelly (and here)
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35. Don Wiley
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37. Emmett Till
38. Eva Rausing
39. Farzad Bazoft
40. Frank Church
41. Frank Diggs
42. Frank Olson (also here and here. In this case, the government acknowledged its culpability. See, Kennedy, Robert F. Jr., 2021, *The Real Anthony Fauci)*
43. Frank Zappa
44. Gareth Williams
45. Gary Allen
46. Gary Caradori
47. Gary Devore (Redfern, Nick, 2020, *Assassinations*)
48. Geetha Angara
49. Gene Viernes (Bramhall, Stuart Jeanne, *21st Century Revolution*)
50. George S. Patton
51. Gerald Bull
52. Gus W. Weiss
53. Hank Killam
54. Harry Dexter White
55. Harry Sims
56. Howard Guilford
57. Huey Newton
58. Ian Fishback
59. Ibragim Todashev
60. Isador Strauss
61. Jack Layton
62. Jacob Miller
63. James E. Sabow
64. James Forrestal (Also: Martin, David, 2019, *The Assassination of James Forrestal*)
65. James Tague
66. Jean Seberg (see also *Canadian Broadcasting Corporation,* and here)
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69. Jim Koethe
70. J. H. Hatfield
71. Jimmy Hendrix

72. Job W. Price
73. Joe Hill
74. John Gilbert Winant
75. John Huggins (and here)
76. John Jacob Astor IV
77. John J. Kokal
78. John Lang
79. John Lennon (and here)
80. John McAfee (and here)
81. John O'Neill
82. John Paisley
83. John Roll (and here)
84. Jonathan Wash
85. Jose Trias and his wife
86. Joseph Morrissey
87. Karen Silkwood
88. Kenneth Johannemann
89. Kurt Cobain
90. LaVoy Finicum
91. Louise Aucincloss Boyer
92. Lucia and Leo Krim
93. Malcolm Shabazz (see also: this encyclopedia)
94. Malikah Shabazz (see also this encyclopedia)
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96. Martin John Rogers
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99. Michael Bradford
100. Michael Connell
101. Michael Cormier
102. Michael C. Ruppert
103. Michael Hutchence
104. Michael Jackson
105. Michael Meacher
106. Michael T. Shelby
107. Mickey Leland

108. Mike Connell
109. Misti Dawn Vaughn
110. Nancy and Bruce Schaefer
111. Nancy Hamilton
112. Nathaniel Clark
113. Nicola Sacco
114. Nick Berg
115. Notorious B.I.G.
116. Oscar Manassa (Bramhall, Stuart Jeanne, *21st Century Revolution*)
117. Pat Finucane
118. Paul Norman
119. Paul Sanford
120. Peter Tosh
121. Phil Graham
122. Philip Haney
123. Preston Battle
124. Ray Lemme
125. Robin Cook
126. Robert Ludlum (see also here)
127. Robert M. La Follette Jr.
128. Robert S. Mendelsohn
129. Rodger Lynn Dickey
130. Ron Brown
131. Sandra Bland
132. Sarah Kershaw
133. Sean Collier
134. Serena Shim
135. Seth Rich (also here)
136. Shawn Lucas
137. Silme Domingo (Bramhall, Stuart Jeanne, *21st Century Revolution*)
138. Sonny Bono (and here and here)
139. Stanley Meyer
140. Stephen Duggan
141. Sterling Jones
142. Stokely Carmichael
143. Sylvester Bell

144. Ted Richardson
145. Thomas Merton
146. Tom Clancy
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